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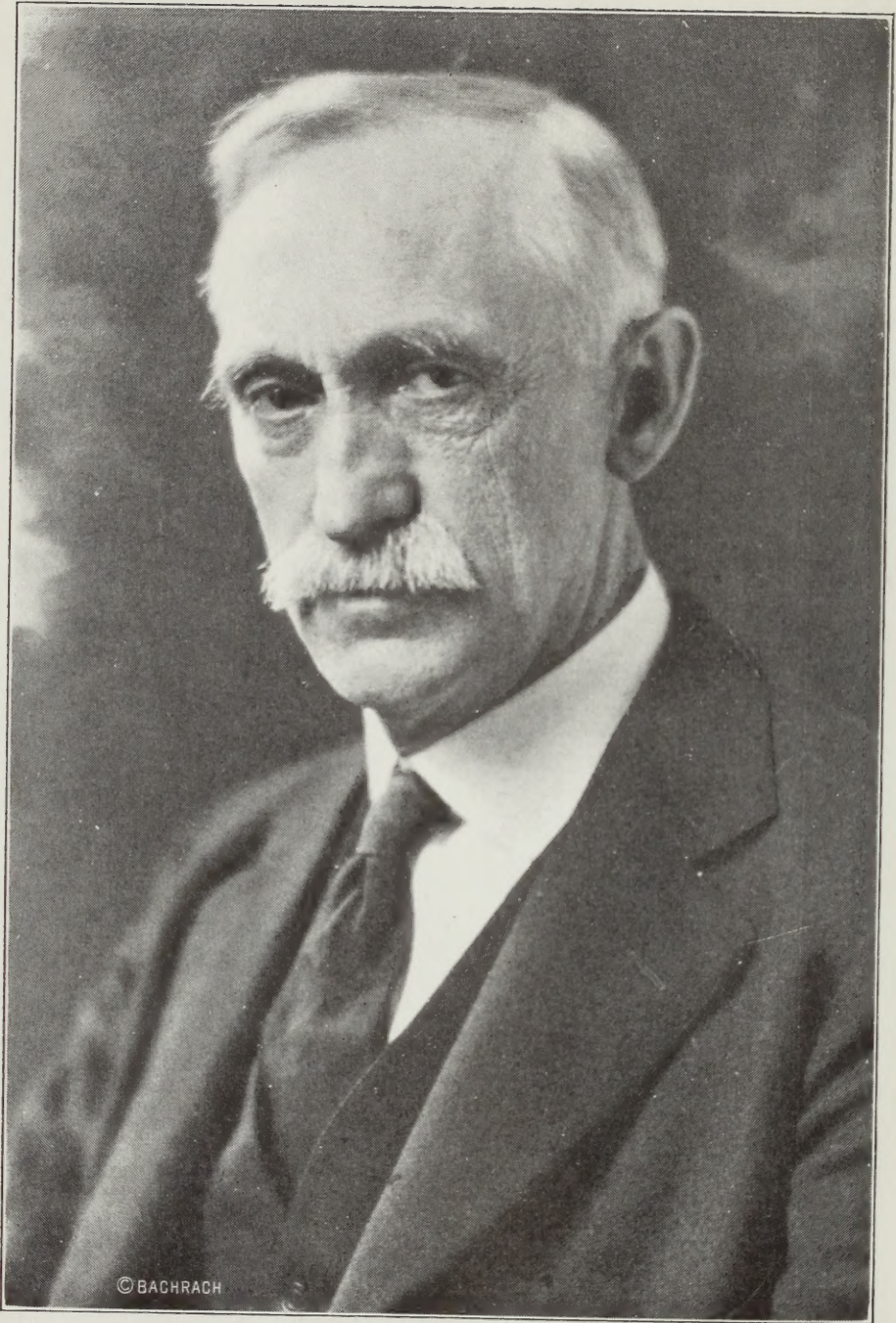












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To the Memory of the Pioneer Families of Tazewell  
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They felled the forests; built their cabins; protected their homes from savages; fostered education; believed in, and lived the Christian Religion, thereby leaving to us, their descendants, this priceless heritage.





## Preface to Volume One and Announcement of Volume Two

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During several years we have been gathering information for the purpose of publishing a Genealogy of the Harman family of Southwest Virginia, and of related families. In pursuance of this purpose, we made inspection of records of the Land Office and the Public Library at Richmond; of the County Court Records of Frederick, Shenandoah, Rockingham, Augusta, Montgomery, Wythe, Smythe, Washington, Giles, Russell and Tazewell Counties.

Later it occurred to us that a similar genealogy of other pioneer families of Tazewell County would be as interesting to their descendants as that of the Harmans and related families is to us. This led us to undertake the publication of the "ANNALS OF TAZE-WELL COUNTY" from 1800 to 1922.

We now present to the reader Volume One of the ANNALS OF TAZE-WELL COUNTY from 1800 to 1852, which contains extracts from the court records during that period of general public interest and which are of special interest to the descendants of the pioneer families of the county.

During the period covered by Volume One the County of Tazewell embraced the territory now composing the County of Buchanan and parts of Giles and Bland Counties in Virginia, and the County of McDowell and parts of Mercer and Logan Counties in West Virginia.

Volume One, Part 1, contains extracts from court records pertaining to court orders, wills and deeds; the names of all civil and military officers of the county; all lawyers admitted to the bar; all preachers licensed to celebrate the rites of matrimony, and an exact copy of the marriage registers from 1800 to 1852; every deed made to churches of all denominations from 1800 to 1922; the names of all the representatives in the General Assembly of Virginia from 1800 to 1852; the Governors of the State, and a list of Revolutionary pensioners, and various other records in the clerk's office of general interest.

Part 2 of Volume One is a republication of Bickley's History of the "SETTLEMENT AND INDIAN WARS OF TAZEVELL COUNTY," published in 1852. This first history of Tazewell, by Dr. Bickley, is a most valuable volume.

### ANNOUNCEMENT.

Volume Two, which will contain an extension of nearly all the features of Volume One, will also embrace, in addition thereto, a list of Confederate soldiers, and a complete roll of the soldiers in the World War who went from Tazewell County. All these records will be brought down to 1922.

A special feature of Volume Two will be a genealogy of old Tazewell families, together with biographical sketches of many who have achieved official professional or industrial distinction in the county; also a list of the incorporated towns in the county, together with the names of the mayors, town sergeants and present population.

Another important feature of Volume Two will be a short history of the beginning and progress of the different religious denominations in the county, provided representatives of the several churches will prepare and furnish these historical sketches.

We have not written a history of Tazewell. We have simply presented history as already officially written in the public records of the county. We have not copied all the records of general public interest, but have selected those most intimately connected with the pioneer families of the county.

J. NEWTON HARMAN, SENIOR.

*Tazewell, Virginia, December, 1922.*

# Before the Gates of the Wilderness Road

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THE SETTLEMENT OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA.

By JUDGE LYMAN CHALKLEY

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In speaking of the conditions existing in Virginia and North Carolina immediately preceding the trip of Boone, when he is supposed to have blazed a trail through the mountains to Kentucky, which, after his time, came to be called "The Wilderness Road," Speed, in his history of that road, describes somewhat carefully a thoroughfare and highway from Philadelphia through Winchester, Staunton and other points in the Shenandoah Valley, extending "to an important station at the waters of New River which run to the west. At that point another road which led out from Richmond through the central parts of Virginia intersected the one just described. Thus were brought together two tides of immigrants. Near the forks of the road stood Fort Chissel, a rude blockhouse built in 1758, by Colonel Bird immediately after the British and Americans captured Fort Duquesne from the French." And the same authority says further: "Beside the road which passed along the Valley of Virginia, and the one which ran out from Richmond to the intersection at New River, there were other traveled ways or traces which led up to Cumberland Gap from the Carolinas and through the mountains of East Tennessee." He concludes: "Thus it appears that all the roads from the Atlantic States converged upon the points, Fort Pitt and Cumberland Gap." Of Fort Chissel (Chiswell) he says: "It is a point of great interest in studying the Kentucky immigration. It was there the immigrants reached the



borders of the great wilderness. The wild, rough, dangerous part of the journey commenced when New River was crossed at Inglis' Ferry, and the travelers turned squarely toward the setting sun."

Monette tells us, as of the year 1762, "the people from the sources of James were crossing the dividing ridges and descending upon the Greenbrier, New River and other tributaries of Kenhawa. Others from Roanoke and North Carolina were advancing westward upon the sources of the Stanton, Dan, Yadkin, Cataba and Broad, along the eastern base of the Blue Mountains, with wistful eyes upon the beautiful country of the Cherokees." And again Monette says, as of 1767: "Settlements were now advancing rapidly from the eastern portions of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia, and emigrants were pressing forward upon the upper tributaries of the Monongahela and upon the great branches of Cheat River. On the south, the frontier counties of Virginia and North Carolina were pouring forth their hardy pioneers who were still advancing and already settling the fertile regions upon the headwaters of New River, as well as upon the sources of Greenbrier. Others full of enterprise and western adventure were exploiting the country drained by the great branches of Clinch River, and were forming remote, isolated settlements in Powell's Valley, still further north and west, and also upon the waters of the North Fork of Holston, in the regions near the present towns of Abingdon and Wytheville.

"The counties of Rockbridge, Augusta, Greenbrier and Frederick were frontier regions, occupied by a sparse population, exposed to the dangers of savage massacre; the towns of Staunton, Lexington, and Winchester were remote frontier trading posts, inhabited by a few persons, who formed a connecting link between the Indians and the eastern people of Virginia."

So far, the references have been to that portion of the territory which lies within the present borders of the State of Virginia. To the south of the present Virginia-Tennessee line lay a narrow strip running northeast and southwest, mountain and valley, watered by the Holston, Clinch and Powell rivers. This is a continuation of the same fertile valleys and rugged mountains of the Virginia side, where all these rivers have their rise. This district north (that is, west) of the Holston was at first believed to be within the boundaries of Virginia, and settlers acted accordingly. They pre-empted their lands under Virginia laws and protection. They formed the

Watauga Association, according to Phelan, in 1772. He tells us: "But a still more serious trouble was impending over the infant communities. About 1769 Colonel Donelson had made a treaty with the Indians by which Virginia bought what was called the western frontiers. By this treaty, it was supposed that the Watauga region went to that colony. Believing themselves in Virginia, the Watauga people supposed themselves governed by Virginia laws, and looked to that State or colony for protection against Indian aggressions and the raids of horse thieves. North Carolina, herself, took no steps looking to the exercise of any authority over the settlements, many of which had been made in violation of the treaty with the Cherokees at Lochaber in 1770. It had everything to lose and nothing to gain by recognizing them as being on North Carolina territory, which recognition would carry with it the obligation of protecting them against the inroads of the Indians."

These extracts from familiar authorities have been quoted in the hope that through their means would be recalled most readily that portion of the sources of the Ohio which lies in the extreme southwestern corner of the present State of Virginia and the extreme northeastern corner of Tennessee contiguous. This section had been known to the white, and a path marked out by travel certainly fifteen years prior to the earliest date that has been mentioned. It also appears that there was an established traffic over this district between the whites of the eastern settlements and the Cherokees as early as 1740. Heyward is authority for it that: "A Mr. Vaughan, of Amelia County, Virginia, went, in 1740, as a packman with traders to the Cherokees. He found the country west of Amelia sparsely inhabited, the last hunter's cabin he saw was on Otter River, a branch of Stanton (Roanoke) now in Bedford County (which lies east of the Blue Ridge). He described the trading path from Virginia, crossing New River, English's Ferry, Seven Mile Ford on the Holston, Grassy Springs, Nolichucky and the French Broad." In 1741, John Smith, Zachariah Lewis, William Waller, Benjamin Waller, Robert Green and James Patton were granted an order of Council of Virginia for one hundred thousand acres on James River and Roanoke, and extending to and including waters of the Indian or New River. Patton was manager and employed Smith, who was the Colonel John Smith who was captured by Indians and had many experiences which are familiar. These two were occupied in induc-



ing immigration until 1751. Patton eventually bought out all the patentees except Smith and Lewis. These were the worthies of the land in their generation, and many incidents in their careers might be detailed. They were of the Scotch-Irish settlers in the Shenandoah, the centers of which was Augusta County, from whose records the data here presented will be mainly taken. This county was formed in 1745 and until 1769 included all the territory that has been mentioned. The records of the District and Superior Courts having jurisdiction over practically the same territory until nearly 1800 are also there. Prior to 1745 there are perhaps additional data of record in Orange County and at Richmond which have not been carefully examined, but the writer had not had access to them. Perhaps, also, much could be gathered from the files of the courts of Fincastle, Botetourt and Washington counties, which were all erected early from the territory of Augusta, but they are not readily accessible. No doubt, the papers of Lunenburg and other counties adjacent on the east, on the other slope of the Blue Ridge, would contain material and incident. The investigator is confined for the present to the movement of that body already mentioned, who migrated in mass from Pennsylvania into the Shenandoah Valley, blazing the way, settling and cultivating the soil, driving out the Indians, establishing churches and schools and a distinctive civilization, making clear and safe the avenue right up to the very entrance of the wilderness. These hardy, courageous, prudent, foresighted people were fortified and prepared by long tradition of migration and colonization, of coveting the land and driving out the Canaanites. The conditions were somewhat analogous in America and in Ireland. Their historian in Kentucky says: "After the subjugation of Ulster, in the reign of James I, the semi-barbarous natives were replaced by a colony of tenants from Great Britian, attracted thither by liberal grants of land." Smythe says of them: "The more decidedly a man is Presbyterian the more decidedly is he a Republican." Davidison says: "The Presbyterians of Virginia, like the rest of their brethern were marked by an inextinguishable love of liberty, and during the Revolution were staunch Republicans to a man. At the very first meeting of the Presbytery of Hanover after the Declaration of Independence, they sent a memorial to the House of Delegates identifying themselves with the common cause. They presented others in 1777 and 1784, protesting against a general



assessment for the support of religion. And still another petition in 1785, signed by 10,000 persons, was argued before the House of Delegates for three days. The main object of all these petitions was to complain of the partial and peculiar privileges still continued to the Episcopal, late the established church and its vestrymen."

The Synod of Philadelphia, before the erection of the Virginia and Transylvania Synods (the Transylvania Synod included the churches and communities in Kentucky) had these worthy people under its immediate charge. The ecclesiastical patriarch of the flock was the Rev. John Craig. He has left a name and character of honor and a memory of worthy service. At an early time he was sent to visit the brethren on New River and Holston. On his return, he reported such a surprisingly large list of elders whom he had ordained in that sparsely settled region, that the Synod remonstrated and asked questions. He defended himself by saying, "Where I cudna get hewn stones, I tuk dornaks." Wherever they established a church they established a school. In 1774 those of the faith established two academies, one Hampden-Sidney, in the eastern, and Liberty Hall (now Washington and Lee University) in the western part of the State, giving each a name indicative of their desire to be free.

The authorities of the colony of Virginia, in looking to the protection of its western frontier, had erected a series of forts on the "Western Waters," as this district was called. There were local stockades where the people gathered in time of peril, at various places. Indeed, nearly every early settlement seems to have been at some time looked upon as the fort of its own immediate vicinity. But they were not continuously occupied for any considerable period by royal troops. Of these, the most prominent was Fort Lewis, a few miles east of the present town of Salem, in Roanoke County. At the time of Colonel Bird's (Byrd's) expedition against the southwestern Indians, this was the frontier settlement of Virginia. In August, 1760, Colonel John Smith, of the Virginia regiment under Byrd, sent out against the Cherokees, was in command at Fort Lewis. Captain John Blagg, commanded a company under Smith. Joseph Ray was contractor and commissary for the army. In 1763, colonization had progressed so far that it was necessary to build a road between New River by Fort Chiswell to Fort Lewis. Notwithstanding the statement from Heyward that this was the

frontier settlement in 1759, we should not take it that the country had not been settled before that time; for, in the records of the vestry of Augusta Parish, we find that William Bryan and Jas. Neilley were appointed proccessioners in 1747 for the country contiguous to the fort.

Vaux's Fort lay on the Roanoke, higher up. In 1756 it had been devastated by Indians and twenty-seven people were killed or taken prisoners. Heyward says that after this massacre there were left no settlers west of the Blue Ridge except a few men who worked at the lead mines. Shortly after Colonel Byrd's expeditions, however, that is in 1763, John Smyth, William Grymes, James Nealey and Israel Christian were appointed to view the roads that led from Vaux's over the New River on the lands of John Buchanan and likewise by Ingles' Ferry to the lead mines. And in 1767 James Neeley, Philip Love, William Christian and William Bryan were appointed viewers of a road from Vaux's by Ingles' Ferry to Peak Creek on the north side of New River. The petitioners were all men of note in the development of the country: Frederick Stern, Isaac Job, Thomas Grayson, John Bell, Henry Skaggs, Joseph Hix, John Draper, George Baker, Joseph Hord, Levy Smith, Erasmus Noble, Samuel Peffer, James Coudon, Edward Vansell, Humphrey Baker, Anthony Bledsoe, James Newell and Alexander Page.

Colonel Byrd, in 1758, built two forts at the command of the Colonial Government, Fort Chiswell, near the forks of the roads from Pennsylvania, and from Richmond, on the waters of New River, and the fort at Long Island, on Holston River, in the present County of Sullivan, Tennessee. Monette states that this was the first fort established on the Holston. The year before, that is in 1757, Fort Loudoun was established by Andrew Lewis on the Tennessee River at the mouth of Tellico. It was afterwards known as Watauga. The next year, in 1758, 200 settlers went there in a body. Phelan states: "Fort Loudoun was garrisoned by royal troops, and the Cherokees, regarding it as a protection against the vengeance of the French offered donations of land to artisans as an inducement to come there. The warfare between the English and the French which raged in all parts of the world, was too far from the region of East Tennessee to affect it, otherwise than indirectly." It was the scene of a terrible massacre immediately after the reduction of Duquesne, the Cherokees captured it and all in the fort were



destroyed. This fort has the distinction of having been manned by twelve cannon, which will testify to its importance. It was near the present city of Knoxville, the center of a district tacitly under the protection of the colony of Virginia, although none of the county governments exercised jurisdiction.

The most northerly limits of the section lying before Cumberland Gap and the entrance to the Wilderness Road are along the divide which separates the waters of the James and Roanoke (or Stanton) rivers, both of which take their rise west of the Blue Ridge Mountains and break through that range, flowing east and southeast; the sources of the Shenandoah and New Rivers (or Woods River) flowing north and northwest, and the Holston and its tributaries flowing south and southwest. The tide of migration had been steady from the beginning southwards from the Shenandoah Scotch-Irish settlements of Augusta. There was here the usual course of settlements following the streams and valleys. The leaders of this migration had kept in close touch with the authorities at Williamsburg, with which place communication was open and constant. Its general course seems to have been directed from the capital with decision, promptness and wisdom. Indeed, these leaders were men of large caliber and great force, and had a motive sufficiently exciting to keep them active. It must be admitted that the main object of the leaders was self-aggrandizement. A bureaucracy and cabal were in complete control and there was the opportunity to establish families and fortune through grants of large tracts of land, which were no sooner marked out than they were taken under the military protection of the colony. The grant to Jas. Patton, Smith and Lewis, and others of 100,000 acres in 1741 has already been mentioned. This lay upon the headwaters of the Roanoke and James, and Monette says: "In none of the provinces had the infatuation for western lands been carried to a greater extent than in Virginia. Blair reported in 1757 to the Executive Council of Virginia that the quantity of lands then entered to companies and individuals amounted to three millions of acres, a large portion of which had been granted as early as 1754." The most important of these grants within the borders of the section now under consideration was that to the Loyal Company on the 12th of July, 1749. It was 800,000 acres beginning on the North Carolina (Tennessee) line and running westward on condition that it should be divided into plats and sur-



veys made and returned to the secretary's office within four years. It was not completed in four years, and in June, 1753, the Council granted four years' further time. This was interrupted by the French and Indian War, and at the close the Council was restrained by the British Government. Afterwards, the officers and soldiers entitled to lands under the proclamation of 1763, began to make settlements, and the agents and settlers under the company petitioned the Council that they might hold of the company and soldiers might be restrained from interfering with them; and in 1773, the Council allowed the settlers to make surveys and return them to the office. In 1753, a survey was made under this grant for Timothy Cole, of 190 acres in Washington County, in Rich Valley, on the waters of the North Fork of Holston River. The company gave titles upon payment of surveyor's fees and £3 for every one hundred acres. Dr. Thomas Walker had the management of the affairs of the company, as well as being a member, and he appointed William English his agent. Cole abandoned his land, and then in 1768 Joseph Scott and Stephen Trigg paid the fees on the same tract and they conveyed to David Ross in 1775. The affairs of the Loyal Company were before the Supreme Court of Virginia and, in 1783, the title of the company to all lands surveyed under it prior to 1776 was established. In 1803, action was brought by Edmund Pendleton and Nicholas Lewis, surviving partners of the Loyal Company, against one of the earliest settlers, John Crunk.

Among the very early settlers under the Loyal Company, were members of the Harman family. The general course of business under that company and the trials of settlers may be gathered from depositions relating to their early settlement. In 1751, Henry Harman and his uncle Valentine Harman, were on a hunting expedition when they camped on Sinking Creek of New River, in the present Giles County, and Valentine made what was called an improvement by killing trees. In 1754 he procured a survey under the Loyal Company. In the same year Valentine made a contract with a Dunker, George Hoopaugh, who, it was alleged was poor and lived on Valentine's charity, that George should go and live on the place as tenant. In 1757 Valentine was killed by Indians, in the presence of his nephew, Daniel Harman, and Daniel was taken prisoner, but escaped. No one but George Hoopaugh (Hoopack) lived on Sinking Creek at the time. He continued living there until 1775,

when he moved off because of fear of the Indians. He returned, however, when he claimed the land as by settlement and made a conveyance of it. Although the grantees of the large tracts were speculators on a large scale, yet the same was not generally true of the settlers. While they were, no doubt, influenced by the prospect of rich lands at a small price, yet as a rule they were looking for a place for bona fide settlement, to make their abiding place, establish their households and pursue their fortunes. They were following upon the footsteps of numerous traders, hunters and trappers who had traversed the wilderness, back and forth, named its hills and streams and acted as prospectors and guides, but their mission was ended with the coming of population. The land speculator was not popular. The titles were but badly recorded and became matter of dispute as the lands became more valuable. These troubles became frequent about 1800, when nearly every piece of land was subject of controversy in the courts in some form. One of the most frequent causes of complaint was that officers and soldiers had located bounty warrants for service in the French and Indian wars so as to conflict with the prior rights of actual settlers. In 1770 James Anderson made a settlement on Cove Creek of North Fork of Holston in Washington County. The next year Samuel Lammie (Lamie, Lamme, Lamb) settled and improved near him and then bought out Anderson. He continued to live there until 1774, when he was killed by Indians, whereupon his brother, Andrew Lamie, took possession and lived there until 1805, when action was brought against Arthur Campbell, who set up a claim. Arthur Campbell claimed that Andrew made no lawful settlement because he had no family, and claimed that in 1770 Andrew and Samuel Lemmie settled three or four miles higher up Cove Creek. In 1774 Samuel was captured by Indians and carried to Canada. Previous to that time the belief prevailed in the new settlement that single men, by what was called "taking up land," might hold the same, and this taking up was commonly designated by marking trees with the initial letters of the claimant's name, making a few brush heaps near the center of the land, and sometimes a log pen or small cabin. Andrew Lammie continued on the place, according to Campbell, during the Revolution, and was an avowed adherent to the enemies of the country and spurned the offers of the Commonwealth. After the Revolution Andrew moved to the place his brother had claimed and settled on it. Arthur Camp-



bell says further: "The law itself that gave occupants a privilege to obtain donation lands was extorted from the legislature by the representations of a numerous band of emigrants which the affairs of America at the time made it good policy to concilate, although not a few of them were deserters from the danger their eastern brethren were then involved in." Of Arthur, himself, it was said that he was "land mungering," for it was reported that he "was a surveyor himself and had white and black persons chain carriers with a chain, part made of rope and part of leather wood bark, and running as he pleased through other persons' claims, making corners and measuring lines at will, that a number of his marks were about the land in controversy." The land involved in this suit is that locally known as "Campbell's Choice."

It was customary for the large proprietors to give distinctive names to their own lands. James Patton named his "Smithfield." Dr. Thomas Walker gave the name "Wolf Hills", which is the site of the present town of Abingdon. "Burke's Garden" was the seat of James Thompson in the present county of Tazewell. It had been originally that of Thomas and John Ingles, who settled there in 1749.

One of the difficulties of determining accurately the dates and circumstances of the first settlement of any of these regions is that frequently a whole district in which a community established itself would be entirely depopulated by an incursion of the Indians, those of the settlers who were not killed, abandoning their improvements, which were then relocated by those who came in after the Indians had retired. These later claimed by their own, a new right, all trace of the former being wiped out. It was characteristic of the people that after each Indian attack, not only fresh adventurers came and occupied the land but in larger numbers than before. But at times there would be several years before the recovery. That there were settlers in considerable numbers before the grant to Patton and others in 1741, and the Loyal Company, south and west of that, in 1749, is sufficiently evident from many sources; but they were frequently and disastrously driven back. In 1753 and 1754 all the settlements were disturbed, but there was a return tide immediately after. After Pontiac's war and the treaty with France, there was a very large migration.



Among the very early settlers on Roanoke (or Stanton) River was John Robinson, who came in 1743. He was killed by the Indians in 1756. His brother, Thomas Robinson lost his life at the Big Defeated Camps on the west of the Cumberland Mountain, and all his family were destroyed. In 1753 he qualified as captain of a company of foot, which would indicate that his section was fairly well settled in that year. He was the son of James Robinson, of Pennsylvania, and was sent by his father to purchase land upon Roanoke as a settlement for the children of James, who followed John, and they together with their friends and relatives, the Crocketts, the Loves, the Pattersons, the Calhouns, the Pattons and the Montgomeries, were prime agents in the establishment of civilization. As is usual in such communities the neighbors were very apt to fall out and say unkind things about each other, but fortunately, these people took their troubles into court, which became a clearing house of bad feeling. James Patton, who was president of the County Court, vestryman, member of the General Assembly, coroner, sheriff, county lieutenant, and a captain of cavalry in the militia service, all at the same time, could give and take hard knocks. In 1746 he haled into court all the Calhouns—Hames, Ezekiel, William and Patrick, on the charge that they were divulgers of false news, to the great detriment of the inhabitants. Apparently the Calhouns were in the habit of "crying worlf." In 1750 James Calhoun started the "news" that Colonel Patton had made over all his estate to his children to defraud his creditors, and that Patton could give no good title to purchasers. Patton instituted proceedings immediately against Calhoun for slander, which hung fire by reason of hung juries in the county court until 1754, when a mandamus was issued by the General Court to dismiss the cause. In the same year, 1750, James Calhoun contracted with Patton for two surveys of land, but before they were made out and signed by the governor the law was changed so as to give the governor a fee of one pistole for signing each patent. This Patton charged to Calhoun, but Calhoun refused to pay. Suit was brought by Patton in 1752 and a trial had. The jury, having been four days in retirement, asked to be discharged, but Patton's attorneys objected and they were ordered to consider further and if they could not agree, to return next court. In March 1753, the same jury was called and John Smith, being absent was fined. Defendant's attorney moved the court to dismiss

the jury and impanel a new one, but patton in person objected and the court was of opinion that the cause be continued and the same jury try the issue. The cause of John Smith's absence was that when the jury were called by the sheriff to take their places in the box, John jumped out of the back window of the courthouse and escaped. At the succeeding court none of the jurors appeared, and an order was entered to summon them to the next court, and at the next court, August, 1753, a mandamus was received from the General Court to dismiss the jury, which was done, and the case continued. Shortly afterwards the matter was submitted by parties to arbitration and the finding was that each party pay one pistole, which was entered by the court as its judgment in August, 1754.

By November, 1746, the settlements southwest of the Roanoke had become so important that on the 19th of that month four roads were ordered to be built leading from the Roanoke settlements. The first was run from Reed Creek to Eagle Bottom and thence to the top of the ridge that parts the waters of New River and those of the South Fork of the Roanoke. and these settlers were ordered to work it. George, Ezekiel, William and Patrick Calhoun, Bryant White, William Hanlow, Peter Rentfro and his two sons, George and Tinker, Jacob Woolman and two sons, John Black, Simon Hart, Michael Claine, John Stroud, Samuel Stalkner and all the Dunkers. James Calhoun and Charles Hart were to be overseers. The second road was ordered from Adam Harmon's on the new River, to the north branch of Roanoke, with these workers: George Draper, Israel Lorton and son, George Harmon, Thomas Looney, Jacob Harman and three sons, Jacob Castle, John Lane, Valentine Harmon, Adren Moser, Humberston Lyon, James Skaggs, Humphrey Baker, John Davis, Frederick Sterling and his two sons. The third road was ordered to run from the ridge above Tobias Bright's that parts the waters of New River from the branches of Roanoke to the lower ford of Catawba Creek, with these workers: William English and two sons, Thomas English and son, Jacob Brown, George Bright, Benjamin Ogle, Paul Garrison, Elisha Isaac, John Donahy, Philip Smith, Mathew English and others to be nominated by George Robinson and James Montgomery. The fourth road extended from the ridge dividing the waters of New River from the waters of South Branch of Roanoke to end in a road that leads over the Blue Ridge, which was the state highway to Richmond, James



Campbell and Mark Evans were the overseers, with these workers: Old Mr. Robinson and his sons, Thomas Wilson and his two sons, William Beus and his brother, all the Ledfords, Admuel and Henry Brown, Samuel Niely, James Burk, James Bean, Francis Estham, Ephraim Voss and servants, Francis Summerfield, John Mason, Tasker and Thomas Tosh, John and Peter Dill, Uriah Evans' sons, Methyselah Griffiths and sons, John Thomas, Peter Kinder. These names belong among those of the fathers, whose homely virtues and faithful manhood were the foundation of a free and virtuous people. Peace to their ashes.

In 1747 Valentine Sevier petitioned for license to keep an ordinary at his own house, alleging that "he is very much infested with travelers." He was probably living at that time to the north, on the waters of the Shenandoah. In 1746 his lands were processioned in that section. 1747 he was indicted for swearing six oaths, and at the same time appointed inspector of pork and beef. In 1747 he was arrested for raising a riot in the court yard, whereupon he begged fitting pardon and was discharged. He owned about 1600 acres in the present counties of Rockingham and Shenandoah.

On the third of September, 1747, Captain James Campbell and Erwin Patterson were appointed processsioners of lands on the waters of Roanoke. These were the most southern bounds for which processioners were appointed, so that it must be taken that there were few settlers actually living upon New River, Holston, Clinch and Powell on that date. In July, 1748, Michael and Augustine Price purchased land on New River from Israel Lorton. In 1749, Thomas and John Ingles settled at Burke's Garden, now in Tazewell County. At that time Samuel Akerling owned lands in Dunker Bottom on New River, and in 1750 sold to Garrett Zinn, who moved almost immediately to Carolina to escape massacre at the hands of the Indians. In the same year Adam Harman entered four hundred acres on New River, six miles above Wolf's Creek. The population must have been there, however scattered, as there was a justice of the peace, Thomas Ingles and a constable, William Ingles. In the same year, 1750, a road was ordered from Ezekiel Calhoun's to Woods (New) River, John McFarland and Joseph Crockett were to be surveyors and the following were the workers: Henry Batton, Mordecai Early, Jacob Goldman, John Downing, John Goldman, Charles Sinclair, Nathaniel Wilshire, William Sayers, William



Hamilton, Humbertson Lyon, Frederick Carloch, Robert Norris, James Miller, James Cove, Samuel Montgomery, Steven Lyon, John Conley, Andrew Linam, James Willkey, Samuel Stanlick, James Maies, Robert McFarlin, James Harris, John Vance, John Stride, Robert Miller, Alexander Sayers, John Miller, Jacob Castle, Robety Alcorn, John Forman, William Miller.

In 1752 Samuel Stalnaker, after whom a fort was named qualified as a captain in the militia. William Richey and John Vance were living on Reed Creek. The same year, Obadiah Garwood and two sons, Noah and Samuel (or Samuel Garwood and two sons, Noah and Obadiah) made a settlement on Clinch River in the present Tazewell County. Shortly afterward they returned to the north to bring their families; but the Indian war broke out and the country became untenable. Jeremiah Pate helped the Garwoods improve their land.

In 1753, William Leeper was appointed constable on New River in the place of Adam Harman, who had already served one year, so that during this troublous period the government was kept in operation nominally even if the reign was not tight. This Adam Harman had qualified as a captain of foot in 1747; had been the accuser in proceedings against Jacob Castle in 1749, charged with threatening to aid the French, and in 1752 had qualified as captain of a troop of horse. In the same year, 1753, a road was ordered from Samuel Stalnaker's on Holston River, to James Davis', with these workers: James Davis and his sons, Frederic Garlock, David, George and Conrad Carlock, Frederick Stern, Jacob and Adam Stalnaker, Jacob and Henry Goldman, Isaiah Hamilton, Hamilton Shoemaker, Timothy Cole, Humphrey Baker and son, George Stalnaker, Adam Andrews, Mathias Larch, Michael Hook, Martin Counce and Jacob Mires.

In March, 1754, a road was ordered on Reed Creek, on Holston River and on Craig's Creek. Immediately after the clouds burst and the Indians committed frightful massacres in all the settlements, in some cases destroying all the inhabitants. The Holston River community was almost annihilated. James Patton was killed; members of the Draper and English families were murdered or taken prisoners. Fort Vause was taken. Valentine Harmon was killed. The list through 1745, 1755, 1756, 1757, 1758, is well known. In 1755 Court process was returned "not executed by reason of the

murder done on New River by the Indians." But there was returned to the court in 1755 the valuation of the improvements on the "naked farm" on Roanoke, the property of Peter Evans, which is quite interesting. The improvements consisted of 18 acres cleared and well fenced, under corn and rye, and ten acres of clear meadow; 100 fruit trees value at £1; one hay house, 15 x 10, £1.10; one corn crib, fifteen by four feet, £0.10; one spring house, 18 feet by 12 feet, £0.15; five head of horses and one breeding sow, £40.15; one wagon and gears, one axe and grubbing hoe and two plows and gears, £33. During the years 1756, 1757, 1758, 1759, there is not a single entry in the current orders of the court relating to these settlements.

In 1760, Captain John Blagg commanded a company of the Virginia Regiment under Col. John Smith and Colonel Byrd at Dunkard Bottom on New River. Among the soldiers were Lieutenants, Hansley, John Smith, John Lukis, Samp Evans, Richard Dodd, Richard Newport, Thomas Deigs, John Contrel. Captain Blagg commanded at Long Island in 1761. James Huston was armorer, and Frederick Elphistone was purveyor to the army at Reed Creek, Stalnaker's and Long Island. In the same year effort was made to serve judicial process, but without success.

On November 19, 1762, John Wiltshire, Alexander Sayers and Jacob Castle were appointed to view and report as to the valuation of the improvements made by John Staunton on New River, and three days afterwards John Thompson, Henry Ferguson and Hugh Mills were appointed to view the nearest and best way from the Stone House to the Bedford line. In the same year, James Robinson, whose relations had been, some taken prisoners, some killed and some dispersed, returned to the Roanoke country from Pennsylvania.

In 1763, the country had been freed of the enemy and settlers began to return. In March, William Beard was there. In April, William Grymes, Jas. Neilly and William Robinson were appointed road overseers from Grymes' clearing to Madison's; John Craig, thence to New River, on the lands of John Buchanan; Alexander and William Sayers, thence to Fort Chiswell; William Preston, to apportion the tithables as far as Fort Lewis and William Thompson, thence to Fort Lewis. In November, John Smith, William Grymes, James Neally, Israel Christian were appointed to view the roads that lead from Vause's over the New River on the lands of John



Buchanan and likewise by Ingles' Ferry to the lead mines. In this year Michael Kimberling's father made a settlement on Walker's Creek in the present county of Tazewell, and was there killed by the Indians.

In 1764 the most southern district for which processioners were appointed was Roanoke.

In 1765 William Robinson, James Neeley, William Bryans were appointed to view a road from Vause's by Ingles' Ferry to Peake Creek. William Bell was living at Colonel Chiswell's mines. Andrew Baker settled on land in the present county of Grayson, within the grant to the Loyal Company. It was originally surveyed in 1753 for Peter Jefferson, Thomas and David Meriwether and Thomas Walker. It was the Peach Bottom tract. John Cox settled there the same year. George Collins and George Reeves settled there in 1767.

In March of that year Samuel Moody, Thomas Goodson, John Richards, William Ward, Hugh Crockett, Jacob Kent, Robert Crockett, Philip Love, Joseph Crockett petitioned for a road from Vause's to Samuel Woods'. In May, John Buchanan appealed to the General Court against the establishment of the road from Vause's to Peak Creek on the ground that it is on the land of the western waters and it is contrary to His Majesty's proclamation to grant any order for clearing any road thereon. In November, Joseph McMurtry and George McAfee reported that there were not enough tithables to make a wagon road from McMurtry's Mill through McAfee's Gap to the wagon road; and it was only practicable to clear it for carrying loads on horseback until the country is better settled. In that year Anthony Bledsoe built a mill at Fort Chiswell.

But by 1768 the settlers were beginning to petition the County Court of Augusta to assume jurisdiction over the territory which had been disputed land and by treaties recognized as belonging to the Indians. In that year the inhabitants of Reed Creek, of Holston, filed their petition: "That whereas we, your petitioners, for some time past, have been debarred settling and improving and cultivating our patent lands on the western waters, the reason whereof is best known to our legislators, but by virtue of the late treaty held to the northward, we hope we may, without offense, petition your worships to give orders that there may be alterations and amend-



ments made on the old road leading from Captain Ingles' Ferry to James Davis' on the head of the Holston River, and appoint such surveyors as you in your wisdom shall think fit, and your petitioners, as in duty bound will pray. Joseph Black, James Holice, John Montgomery, Robert Montgomery, James Montgomery, George Breckinridge, Alexander Breckinridge, Robert Breckinridge, Robert Campbell, Robert Doack, William Doack, William Sayers, Arthur Campbell, William Davis, James Hayes, Samuel Hopes, William Leftwich, Jasper Gender, George Gender, Jacob Kinder, William Phips, John Hounceal, Barnet Small, John Smith, John Bets, Robert Buchanan, Robert Davis, Samuel McAdam, James Davis, Nicholas Buchanan, Alexander Buchanan.

John Campbell, on his way to the Holston, in 1768, overtook a number of persons, who informed him they were coming to settle on a tract owned by Dr. Thomas Walker, known as the Wolf Hill Tract. In 1768, Robert Doack sowed turnips on Reed Creek, but made no settlement. In the same year constables were appointed on New River. In that year Michael Hoofacre settled in Rich Valley, a north fork of Holstein. When he came there was no improvement nor anything like an improvement except a hunter's cabin.

In 1769 the whole section embracing the head waters and sources of the New River, Clinch, Holston and Powell Rivers was erected into a separate county, and the surveyor was ordered to run the dividing line between Augusta and Botetourt as far as the western waters. Robert Doack was Dr. Thomas Walker's agent for the Wolf Hill Tract, and Thomas Armstrong was one of the earliest settlers. In the same year, John Smith, John Morgan and a large party settled on Moccasin Creek. Daniel Smith and Josiah Gamble succeeded Doack as agent for the Wolf Hill Tract. Daniel Smith was the school teacher of the community.

In 1770, William Herbert settled on Cubb Creek, in the present Washington County. The first settlement on the land had been by James McCarthy. Patrick Porter moved to Clinch in 1770. In the same year Jacob Young, who had settled on Reed Creek in the present county of Wythe, soon moved to Holstein. William McGhee (McGaughey) made a settlement in 1771 in Turkey Cove of Powell's Valley in the present Lee County. Peter Cloud and Thomas Lovelady had been living there some time before. McGee moved in from Holsten River, where he had been living. In the same year Valen-

tine Harman improved a piece of land on Clinch in the present Tazewell County. Samuel Walker came at the same time, and William Wynne was then living there. In 1771 Colonel James Dysart and Joseph Ray made a tour of nine months through Kentucky and of eleven months in 1772. In 1769 they made a similar tour of six months. Isaac Blangy (or Ballinger) had settled in App's (Abb's) Valley prior to 1771. It has borne that name since 1760. Robert Poage bought land there in the fall of 1771. Colonel James Maxwell and James Peerey settled on Clinch in 1772 and the same year John Stutler and Uriah Stone came. Maxwell lived there until 1784, and during that time two of his daughters were killed by Indians. The same land had been improved in 1760 and was called Ingles' Crabb Orchard, settled by John Ingles. In this year, 1772, Francis Fugate settled on Big Moccasin Creek. John Montgomery had gone there in 1771 with his father, Alexander Montgomery. The same year, John Tate settled. Francis Cooper settled there in 1770. Big Moccasin, about this time, became totally vacated for fear of Indians, and remained so about one year. In 1771 there was not a family on the north (west) side of Clinch Mountain for a distance of ten miles. Henry Dougherty made a settlement on Laurel Fork of Holston River in 1773. Mrs. Nancy Tate, Robert Fowler and James Crabtree followed soon after.

The Indians became troublesome in 1774 and continued so for several years. William McAfee settled on Sinking Creek of New River in 1774. In the same year Andrew Cowan settled on the North Fork of Clinch, which was called Stim's Creek. Hugh Gullion had a settlement on Walker's Creek in 1774. He was killed at Point Pleasant. In 1775, William Fitzgerald made a crop of corn at Martin's Station in Powell's Valley and made an improvement near Cumberland Gap on a creek called Station Creek. William Herbert was living on Reed Creek in 1776.

The Indians attacked the settlement on Cubb Creek in 1776 and killed some people. They were very troublesome in Washington County from 1776 to 1779. Titus and John Benton were killed in Rye Cove in 1777. Charles Carter had settled there in 1775. This settlement was broken up by the Indians for several years. Felty Hoover and his sons, John and Abraham, settled on Black Water at the Flat Lick, a north branch of Clinch, in 1777. Thomas Rodgers was living on the land in 1765, when he was driven off by the

Indians. The land lies in Lee County near Cumberland Gap, it had been originally improved by John Wallen about 1760. In 1778 Joseph Drake, who had moved from Sinking Creek to New River, on account of the Indians, moved to Kentucky, where he was killed by the Indians.

In the spring of 1781 all the settlers in Turkey Cove, in Powell's Valley, moved out because of Indians.

And thus the tide again receded. But when it returned, the breach in the barrier had been accomplished, the channel was open, the floods flowed in whirling and swirling and seething to the vortex from north, east, southeast; hordes of Presbyterian Irish, of Welsh and Dutch, of English Baptists and Episcopalians, of Carolina refugees, seeking surcease from persecution and convention in the land of freedom and fatness—Kentucky.



## The Wilderness Road

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Fort Chiswell is designated in the preceding article, by Judge Chalkley, as the point "where the imigrants reached the borders of the great wilderness." The road which connected Fort Chiswell with Long Island and the Blockhouse on the Holston was an important link in this great "primary highway system" connecting southwest Virginia and Kentucky. Crossing New River at Ingles' Ferry at Radford, the road passed southwest through the present towns of Pulaski, Max Meadows, Wytheville, Marion and Abingdon to the Blockhouse, the Virginia end of the Wilderness Road, which road followed "Boone's Path" from the Blockhouse to Boonesborough Kentucky.

William Allen Pusey, A. M., M. D., in his recent book, published 1921, entitled "The Wilderness Road to Kentucky," says: "The Wilderness Road proper began at the Blockhouse. The roads from the north and the south brought the traveler to this point. The Blockhouse was the last station before Moccasin Gap or Big Moccasin Gap, the gate to the Indian country, and about the same distance from the important western rendezvous of the Holston pioneers, Long Island, in the South Fork of the Holston River. It was, of course, for these reasons that the early travelers to Kentucky were used to gather at the Blockhouse in order to form parties for the trip to Kentucky."

"The Blockhouse was established about 1777, perhaps even in 1775, when Boone's party went out, by Captain John Anderson who lived in it from that time until his death. It was located in Carter's Valley at a point where the hills open out into a valley half a mile wide and a mile long. This little valley is today a meadow surrounded by wooded hills. . . ."

"The old road to the Blockhouse from Long Island, to the mouth of Reedy Creek still exists. This is the road which Boone Followed on his journey of 1775."

"From the Blockhouse the present road through Moccasin Gap, Gate City, Speer's Ferry, Clinchport, Duffield to Kane's Gap in

Powell Mountain is in practically the exact location of the "Wilderness Road. . . ."

"The road passes down Wallen Creek to Stickleyville. . . . Beyond the present Stickleyville the road passed over Wallen Ridge and reached Powell Valley on Station Creek. . . . Five miles down Station Creek Valley from Wallen Ridge was situated Valley Station. . . . From Station Creek the old road followed directly west to Jonesville along a direct but now little used road. . . . On the retaining wall of the yard of the courthouse at Jonesville is one of the Boone markers. From Jonesville to within a few miles of Cumberland Gap the old road is preserved practically in the present direct road between these points which is now a State road. From Boone's Path to Cumberland Gap a modern graded road has been built which, for the most part, is in the location of the old road. . . . Half a mile east of the village of Rose Hill, the road crossed Martins Creek. Martin's Station was located a mile south of this point. Martin's Station was the important station on the road between the Blockhouse and Crab Orchard. It was the station of Captain Joseph Martin, who was Virginia Agent for Indians Affairs. . . . Martin was living at this station when Boone and Henderson made their journeys in 1775. . . . Beyond Martin's Station the road passed into the valley of Indian Creek and followed down this valley almost to Cumberland Gap."

We will not follow the location of the "Wilderness Road" beyond Cumberland Gap. The distance from the Blockhouse to Boonesborough, Kentucky, is a little over two hundred miles.

Based on the account given by H. Addington Bruce in his "Daniel Boone and the Wilderness Road" we give the following abridged account of the doings at the "Seat of government" which Boone founded. The "Wilderness Road" to Kentucky was begun at the Blockhouse, on the Holston, March 10, 1775, by thirty men, under the direction of Colonel Daniel Boone, and within fifteen days they had completed the road to within fifteen miles of Boonesborough, Kentucky.

Boone and his party were employed by Richard Henderson of North Carolina, to blaze this trail, cut the brush and logs, making it wide enough for horses laden with goods, wares and merchandise fastened to packsaddles. Henderson, having purchased that section of Kentucky from the Cherokees formed a company called the

Transylvania Company for the purpose of colonizing same. Boone's instructions from Henderson were as follows: "To cleave a road through the wilderness and select a seat of government for the proposed colony."

Soon after Boone and his party of road cleavers reached their destination, Henderson with a party of about fifty joined them and they proceeded to lay the foundation of the new government. Elections were held about May 20, 1775, and three days after, the delegates gathered at Boonesborough where they met under a giant elm. The Boonesborough delegation was composed of Daniel and Squire Boone, William Cocks, Richard Callaway, William Moore, and Samuel Henderson. The delegation from Harrodstown: Thomas Slaughter, Dr. John Lythe, Valentine Harman and James Douglas. The Boiling Spring delegation: James Harrod, Nathan Hammond, Azariah Davis and Isaac Hite. St. Asaph delegation: John Todd, Samuel Wood and Alexander Spottswood Dandridge. The proceedings were opened by prayer by Dr. Lythe, who was a clergyman of the Church of England. Thomas Slaughter was elected presiding officer. The three proprietors—Henderson, Hart and Luttrell—were then notified that the "Transylvania House of Delegates" was duly organized and would be pleased to hear any suggestions they might have to make.

"In 1776 the Legislature of Virginia passed an act organizing Kentucky County, which included within its boundaries the splendid section of country which Henderson had bought from the Cherokees. With this Act, Transylvania became only a memory and the ambitious project of the Transylvania partners was ended forever."



## CHAPTER I.

ORGANIZATION OF THE MILITIA; ORIGIN AND HISTORY OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE; EXTRACTS FROM THE CONSTITUTIONS OF 1776, 1830 AND 1851; GENERAL ASSEMBLY; QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP THEREIN, AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR VOTING AND HOLDING OFFICE.

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### MILITIA.

On March 9, 1819, the following Act of the General Assembly was passed (see Revised Code of 1819, page 93).

Whereas a well regulated Militia constitutes the great defence of a free people, and it is expedient to carry into effect the laws of the Congress of the United States, providing for the national defence by establishing an Uniform Militia throughout the United States:

1. "Be it therefore enacted that the counties of Washington, Russell, Lee, Scott, Grayson and Tazewell shall compose one Brigade. . . .

2. "The several counties and corporations within this commonwealth, shall constitute the battalion, portion of Battalion, Regiment, or portions of Regiment, as now established: Provided, that it shall be lawful for the executive to divide or alter the regimental districts in the several counties, as circumstances may require," etc. . . .

3. "And every Battalion shall, if convenient, be formed into five companies; each company to consist of not less than sixty men, including non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, nor more than one hundred and eight, officers included," etc. . . .

4. "There shall be a Adjutant General for the Militia of the state, a Major General to each Division, and a Brigadier General to each Brigade, to be appointed by the joint ballot of both houses of the General Assembly, who shall reside within the limits of their respective commands; and there shall be a Colonel, Lieutenant-Colonel, and Major to each Regiment, and a Captain, Lieutenant

and Ensign to each Company, who shall be appointed and commissioned agreeable to the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth," etc. . . .

44. "There shall be a muster of each troop of Cavalry and company of Artillery in the months of April and October in every year, at such places as a majority of the members constituting the said troop or company, shall, from time to time, fix upon; and it shall be the duty of the commanding officer of any such troop or company, and he is hereby required, at each and every muster, to call his roll, examine every person belonging thereto, and note down all delinquencies occurring therein, and make return thereof, to the Commanding Officer of the Battalion," etc. . . .

45. "There shall be a muster in each company of Militia, including the light companies, in the months of April and October in every year. . . . And there shall be a muster of each Battalion in the month of October or November in every year, etc. . . .

48. "It shall be the duty of every Commanding Officer of a Regiment, Battalion or Company, at their respective musters, to keep their respective corps under arms for a period of at least two hours, and to cause them to be trained and exercised, agreeably to the moode of discipline prescribed by congress," etc. . . .

### JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

During the period—from 1800 to 1852—covered by Volume One of the ANNALS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, the most important institution in the Government of the County was the County Court, which was composed of Justices of the Peace. Inasmuch as this volume contains many orders entered by the County Court at its monthly and quarterly terms, it will be interesting to a large number of our readers to know something of the history of the Justices of the Peace.

From "Henning's Justice," 3d Edition, 1820, beginning at page 417, we quote as follows:

"The term 'Justices of the Peace,' though familiar in England long before the settlement of Virginia, was not introduced into the laws of the colony until the year 1661. From the earliest period of our settlement (in 1607) to the year 1629, 'commanders of plantations' are alone mentioned in our laws, as persons authorized to



exercise civil jurisdiction. They also possessed the supreme military command of the settlement. A commission expressing their powers and jurisdiction, may be seen in the 1st vol. of the Statutes at Large, page 181. In the year 1629, 'commissioners of monthly courts' were appointed by commission from the governor, and had jurisdiction in civil cases and petty offences only. In 1632, similar commissions issued to different parts of the colony, styling the persons appointed 'commissioners,' for the places to which they were assigned; and after specifying their jurisdiction, in matters civil and criminal, they were moreover empowered 'to do and execute whatever a justice of the peace or two or more justices of the peace might do,' according to the laws of England. The term 'commissioners' was, however, generally used in our ancient statutes, till by degrees that of 'Justices of the Peace' was adopted."

By the fifteenth article of the Constitution of Virginia, June, 1776, it was provided: "The governor, with the advice of the privy council, shall appoint justices of the peace for the counties; and in case of vacancies, or a necessity of increasing the number hereafter, such appointments to be made upon the recommendation of the respective county courts.'

The judges of the supreme courts, as well as the justices of the peace, are expressly declared by statute, to be "conservators of the peace."

*Extracts from the First Constitution of Virginia,  
Adoped June 29, 1776.*

"The Legislative shall be formed of two distinct branches, who, together, shall be a complete Legislature. They shall meet once or oftener, every year, and shall be called the General Assembly of Virginia.

"One of these shall be called the House of Delegates, and consist of two Representatives to be chosen for each county, and for the district of West Augusta, annually, of such men as actually reside in and are freeholders of the same, or duly qualified according to law, and also one Delegate or Representative to be chosen annually for the city of Williamsburg, and one for the borough of Norfolk, and a Representative for each of such other cities and boroughs as may hereafter be allowed particular representation by the Legislature." . . .



“The other shall be called the Senate, and consist of twenty-four members, of whom thirteen shall constitute a House to proceed on business, for whose election the different counties shall be divided into twenty-four districts; and each county of the respective district, at the time of the election of its Delegates, shall vote for one Senator, who is actually a resident and free-holder within the district, or duly qualified according to law, and is upwards of twenty-five years of age.” . . .

“A Governor, or Chief Magistrate, shall be chosen annually, by joint ballot of both houses.” . . .

“A Privy Council or Council of State, consisting of eight members, shall be chosen by joint ballot of both Houses of Assembly, either from their own members or the people at large, to assist in the administration of government. They shall annually choose out of their own members a President, who in case of the death, inability, or necessary absence of the Governor from the government, shall act as Lieutenant Governor.”

*Qualification of Voters. Act Passed 1785.*

“Every white male citizen, aged twenty-one years, being possessed of twenty-five acres of land with a house, the superficial content of the foundation whereof is twelve feet square, or equal to that quantity, and a plantation thereon, or fifty acres of unimproved land, or a lot or part of a lot of land in a City or Town with a house thereon,” . . .

“Any Elector qualified according to this Act, failing to attend any annual election of Delegates or of a Senator, and if a poll be taken, to give or offer to give his vote, shall pay one-fourth of his portion of all such levies and taxes as shall be assessed and levied in his County the ensuing year;” . . .

*An Amended Constitution or form of Government for Virginia.  
Adopted 1830.*

“The House of Delegates shall consist of one hundred and thirty-four members, to be chosen annually for and by the several counties. The twenty-six counties lying west of the Alleghany mountains to have 31 delegates;” Tazewell County being entitled to one delegate.

“The other house of the general assembly shall be called the senate, and shall consist of thirty-two members, of whom thirteen shall be chosen for and by counties lying west of the Blue Ridge of mountains,” . . . .

“The counties of Tazewell, Wythe and Grayson shall form a district.” . . . .

Members of the house of delegates must have attained the age of twenty-five years, and members of the senate, thirty years.

Ministers of the gospel and priests of every denomination shall be incapable of being elected members of either house of assembly.

### *Qualification of Voters. 1830.*

The voter must be possessed of freehold in land of the value of twenty-five dollars, the evidence of title to which must have been recorded two months before he shall offer to vote, and every such citizen who shall own and be himself in actual occupation of a leasehold estate, with the evidence of title recorded two months before he shall offer to vote. The term of the leasehold must not be less than five years, and the annual value or rent of twenty dollars; and must be a housekeeper and head of a family within the county or election district, and shall have been assessed and paid taxes within the preceding year.

In all elections the vote shall be given openly and not by ballot.

The Governor is to be elected by the joint vote of the two houses of the general assembly. He shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be ineligible to that office, for three years next after his term of service shall have expired.

There shall be a council of state, to consist of three members, any one or more of whom may act. They shall be elected by joint vote of both houses of the general assembly, and remain in office three years. The governor shall, before he exercises any discretionary power conferred on him by the constitution and laws, require the advice of the council of state, which advice shall be registered in books for that purpose, signed by the members present and consenting thereto, and laid before the general assembly when called for by them. . . . The senior councillor shall be lieutenant governor, and in case of the death, resignation, inability or absence of the governor from the seat of government, shall act as governor.”

*Extracts from the Amended Constitution of Virginia, 1851.*

“Every white male citizen of the commonwealth of the age of twenty-one years, who has been a resident of the state for two years, and of the county, city or town where he offers to vote for twelve months next preceding an election—and no other person—shall be qualified to vote for members of the general assembly and all officers elective by the people;” . . . . There is excluded, however, from this provision of universal male suffrage, the pauper, those of unsound mind and those who have been convicted of bribery in an election, or of any infamous offense.”

Under this constitution, the House of Delegates consisted of one hundred and fifty-two members, to be chosen biennially for and by the several counties, cities and towns of the commonwealth.

“At the first general election, the county of Russell shall elect two delegates, and the county of Tazewell shall elect one delegate; at the second general election, the county of Tazewell shall elect two delegates, and the county of Russell shall elect one delegate; and so on, alternately, at succeeding general elections. . . .

“The Senate shall consist of fifty members to be elected for a term of four years.”

The counties of Mercer, Monroe, Giles and Tazewell form the Fortieth Senatorial District.

Members of the House of Delegates must be twenty-one years of age; and members of the Senate must be twenty-five years of age.

“The governor shall be elected by the voters, at the times and places of choosing members of the general assembly. . . .

“A lieutenant governor shall be elected at the same time and places, and for the same term as the governor. . . .

“In case of the removal of the governor, or of his death, resignation or inability etc. . . ., the duties of the governor shall devolve upon the lieutenant governor; . . . . The lieutenant governor shall be president of the Senate.”

*County Courts.*

“There shall be in each county of the commonwealth a county court, which shall be held monthly, but not less than three nor more than five justices, except when the law shall require the presence of a greater number.



The jurisdiction of the said court shall be the same as that of the existing county courts, except so far as it is modified by this constitution, or may be changed by law.

Each county shall be laid off into districts, as nearly equal as may be in territory and population. In each district there shall be elected, by the voters thereof, four justices of the peace, who shall be commissioned by the governor, reside in their respective districts, and hold their offices for the term of four years. The justices so elected shall choose one of their own body, who shall be the presiding justice of the county court, and whose duty it shall be to attend each term of said court. The other justices shall be classified by law for the performance of their duties in court.

The justices shall receive for their services in court a per diem compensation, to be ascertained by law, and paid out of the county treasury; and shall not receive any fee or emolument for other judicial services.

The power and jurisdiction of justices of the peace within their respective counties shall be prescribed by law.

#### *County Officers.*

The voters of each county shall elect a clerk of the county court, a surveyor, an attorney for the commonwealth, a sheriff, and so many commissioners of the revenue as may be authorized by law, who shall hold their respective offices as follows: The clerk and the surveyor for the term of six years; the attorney for the term of four years; the sheriff and the commissioners for the term of two years. Constables and overseers of the poor shall be elected by the voters as may be prescribed by law.

The officers mentioned in the preceding section, except the attorneys, shall reside in the counties or districts for which they were respectively elected. No person elected for two successive terms to the office of sheriff, shall be re-eligible to the same office for the next succeeding term; nor shall he during his term of service, or within one year hereafter, be eligible to any political office.

The justices of the peace, sheriffs, attorneys for the commonwealth, clerks of the circuit and county courts, and all other county officers, shall be subject to indictment for malfeasance, misfeasance or neglect of official duty; and upon conviction thereof, their offices shall become vacant."

“Done in convention in the city of Richmond, on the first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the seventy-sixth year of the commonwealth of Virginia.

JOHN Y. MASON,  
*President of the Convention.*

S. D. WHITTLE,  
*Secretary of the Convention.”*

## CHAPTER II.

### GOVERNORS, MEMBERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS AND MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA FROM 1800 TO 1852.

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This chapter is taken from "A Register of the General Assembly of Virginia, 1776 to 1918, and of the Constitutional Conventions", by Earls G. Swem, Assistant State Librarian, and John W. Williams, Clerk of the House of Delegates.

#### GOVERNORS.

PATRICK HENRY. July 5, 1776—June 1, 1779.

THOMAS JEFFERSON. June 1, 1779—June 12, 1781.

THOMAS NELSON. June 12, 1781—November 30, 1781 (resigned).

BENJAMIN HARRISON. November 30, 1781—November 30, 1784.

PATRICK HENRY. November 30, 1784—November 30, 1786.

EDMOND RANDOLPH. November 30, 1786—November 12, 1788 (resigned).

BEVERLEY RANDOLPH. November 12, 1788—December 1, 1791.

HENRY LEE. December 1, 1791—December 1, 1794.

ROBERT BROOKE. December 1, 1794—November 30, 1796.

JAMES WOOD. November 30, 1796—December 6, 1799.

JAMES MONROE. December 19, 1799—December 29, 1802.

JOHN PAGE. December 29, 1802—December 11, 1805.

WILLIAM H. CABELL. December 11, 1805—December 12, 1808.

JOHN TYLER, SR. December 12, 1808—January 15, 1811.

JAMES MONROE. January 19, 1811—April 3, 1811 (resigned to become Secretary of State).

GEORGE WILLIAM SMITH. April 3, 1811—December 26, 1811 (lost his life in the burning of the Richmond theater).

PEYTON RANDOLPH. December 26, 1811—January 4, 1812.

JAMES BARBOUR. January 4, 1812—December 11, 1814.



WILSON CARY NICHOLAS. December 11, 1814—December 11, 1816.

JAMES P. PRESTON. December 11, 1816—December 11, 1819.

THOMAS MANN RANDOLPH. December 11, 1819—December 11, 1822.

JAMES PLEASANTS. December 11, 1822—December 11, 1825.

JOHN TYLER, JR. December 11, 1825—March 4, 1827.

WILLIAM B. GILES. March 4, 1827—March 4, 1830.

JOHN FLOYD. March 4, 1830—March 31, 1834.

LITTLETON WALLER TAZEWELL. March 31, 1834—March 30, 1836.

WYNDHAM ROBERTSON. March 30, 1836—March 31, 1837.

DAVID CAMPBELL. March 31, 1837—March 31, 1840.

THOMAS WALKER GILMER. March 31, 1840—March 20, 1841.

JOHN MERCER PATTON. March 20, 1841—March 31, 1841.

JOHN RUTHERFORD. March 31, 1841—March 31, 1842.

JOHN MUNFORD GREGORY. March 31, 1842—January 5, 1843.

JAMES McDOWELL. January 5, 1843—January 1, 1846.

WILLIAM SMITH. January 1, 1846—January 1, 1849.

JOHN BUCHANAN FLOYD. January 1, 1849—January 1, 1852.

JOSEPH JOHNSON. January 1, 1852—January 1, 1856.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS.

### MEMBERS REPRESENTING TAZEWELL COUNTY.

1776—Convention met May 6, 1776, and adjourned July 5, 1776.

Fincastle County: Arthur Campbell and William Russell.

1788—Convention met June 2, 1788, and adjourned June 27, 1788.

This Convention was called to consider the Federal Constitution. Montgomery County: Walter Crockett and Abraham Trigg. Russell County: Thomas Carter and Henry Dickerson.

1829-30—Convention met October 5, 1829, and adjourned January 15, 1830.

Washington, Lee, Scott, Russell and TAZEWELL: John B. George, Andrew McMillan, Edward Campbell and William Byars.

1850-51—Convention met October 14, 1850, and adjourned August 1, 1951.

Mercer, Giles, TAZEWELL and Monroe Counties: Augustus A. Chapman, Allen T. Caperton and Albert G. Pendleton.

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MEMBERS WHO REPRESENTED TAZEWELL COUNTY IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA FROM 1801 TO 1852.

Session: December 7, 1801—February 2, 1802.

House of Delegates: Thomas Witten and David Ward.

Senate: James P. Preston. At this time the Senatorial District was composed of the counties of Botetourt, Greenbrier, Kanawha, Montgomery, Monroe, Lee, Grayson, TAZEWELL, Russell, Washington and Wythe.

Session: December 6, 1802—January 29, 1803.

House of Delegates: David Ward and Thomas Witten.

Senate: James P. Preston.

Session: December 5, 1803—February 3, 1804.

House of Delegates: John Grills and Henry Bowen.

Senate: James P. Preston.

Session: December 3, 1804—February 1, 1805.

House of Delegates: Henry Bowen and James Thompson.

Senate: Daniel Sheffey.

Session: December 2, 1805—February 6, 1806.

House of Delegates: William Neal and James Thompson.

Senate: Daniel Sheffey.

Session: December 1, 1806—January 22, 1807.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and Andrew Peery.

Senate: Daniel Sheffey.

Session: December 7, 1807—February 10, 1808.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and Andrew Peery.

Senate: Daniel Sheffey.

Session: December 5, 1808—February 18, 1809.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and John Cecil.

Senate: Francis Smith.

Session: December 4, 1809—February 9, 1810.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and David Ward.

Senate: Francis Smith.

Session: December 3, 1810—February 14, 1811.

House of Delegates: David Ward and John Cecil.

Senate: Francis Smith.

Session: December 2, 1811—February 21, 1812.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and John Cecil.

Senate: Francis Smith.

Session: November 30, 1812—February 23, 1813.

House of Delegates: John Ward and James Thompson.

Senate: Henley Chapman.

Session: May 17-26, 1813; December 6, 1813—February 16, 1814.

House of Delegates: John Ward and Joseph D. Peery.

Senate: Henley Chapman.

Session: October 10, 1814—January 19, 1815.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and John Ward.

Senate: Henley Chapman.

Session: December 4, 1815—February 28, 1816.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and Rees B. Thompson.

Senate: Henley Chapman.

Session: November 11, 1816—February 22, 1817.

House of Delegates: James Thompson and Rees B. Thompson.

Senate: Francis Preston.

Session: December 1, 1817—February 26, 1818.

House of Delegates: John B. George and Rees B. Thompson.

Senate: Francis Preston.

Session: December 7, 1818—March 13, 1819.

House of Delegates: Thomas Harrison and John B. George.

Senate: Francis Preston.

Session: December 6, 1819—February 25, 1820.

House of Delegates: John B. George and Thomas Peery.

Senate: Francis Preston.



Session: December 4, 1820—March 5, 1821.

House of Delegates: Henry P. George and William Gillespie.

Senate: David Campbell. Senatorial District now composed of the counties of Washington, Lee, Scott, Russell and TAZEWELL.

Session: December 3, 1821—March 4, 1822.

House of Delegates: Henry P. George and James C. Davidson.

Senate: David Campbell.

Session: December 2, 1822—February 25, 1823.

House of Delegates: John B. George and William Thompson.

Senate: David Campbell.

Session: December 1, 1823—March 10, 1824.

House of Delegates: John B. George and Thomas Peery.

Senate: David Campbell.

Session: November 29, 1824—February 18, 1825.

House of Delegates: John B. George and William Shannon.

Senate: John D. Sharp.

Session: December 5, 1825—March 9, 1826.

House of Delegates: John B. George and John Ward.

Senate: John D. Sharp.

Session: December 4, 1826—March 9, 1827.

House of Delegates: John B. George and William Shannon.

Senate: John D. Sharp.

Session: December 3, 1827—March 1, 1828.

House of Delegates: John B. George and Hervey Deskins.

Senate: John D. Sharp.

Session: December 1, 1828—February 17, 1829.

House of Delegates: Thomas J. George and Hervey Deskins.

Senate: John H. Fulton.

Session: December 7, 1829—February 23, 1830.

House of Delegates: Thomas J. George and William Barns.

Senate: John H. Fulton.

Session: December 6, 1830—April 19, 1831.

House of Delegates: Robert Gillespie.

Senate: David McComas. Senatorial District now composed of TAZEWELL, Wythe and Grayson counties.

Session: December 5, 1831—March 21, 1832.

House of Delegates: Robert Gillespie.

Senate: David McComas.

Session: December 3, 1832—March 9, 1833.

House of Delegates: Hervey George.

Senate: David McComas.

Session: December 2, 1833—March 14, 1834.

House of Delegates: Hervey George.

Senate: David McComas.

Session: December 1, 1834—March 12, 1835.

House of Delegates: James W. M. Witten.

Senate: David McComas.

Session: December 7, 1835—March 24, 1836.

House of Delegates: Robert Gillespie.

Senate: David McComas.

Session: December 5, 1836—March 31, 1837.

House of Delegates: Robert Gillespie.

Senate: Samuel McCamant.

Session: January 1—April 9, 1838.

House of Delegates: James W. M. Witten.

Senate: Samuel McCamant.

Session: January 7—April 10, 1839.

House of Delegates: Addison Crockett.

Senate: Samuel McCamant.

Session: December 2, 1839—March 19, 1840.

House of Delegates: James C. Spotts.

Senate: Samuel McCamant.

Session: December 1, 1840—March 22, 1841.

House of Delegates: James C. Spotts.

Senate: James H. Piper. Senatorial District now composed of TAZEVELL, Wythe, Grayson, Smythe and part of Pulaski.

Session: December 6, 1841—March 26, 1842.

House of Delegates: Henry Bowen.

Senate: James H. Piper.

Session: December 5, 1842—March 28, 1843.

House of Delegates: James C. Spotts.

Senate: James H. Piper.

Session: December 4, 1843—February 15, 1844.

House of Delegates: Alexander Harrison.

Senate: James H. Piper.

Session: December 2, 1844—February 22, 1845.

House of Delegates: Harvey G. Peery.

Senate: James H. Piper.

Session: December 1, 1845—March 6, 1846.

House of Delegates: Samuel Laird.

Senate: James H. Piper.

Session: December 7, 1846—March 23, 1847.

House of Delegates: Thomas H. Gillespie.

Senate: John W. Johnston.

Session: December 6 1847—April 5, 1848.

House of Delegates: Thomas H. Gillespie.

Senate: John W. Johnston.

Sessions: December 4, 1848—March 19, 1849; May 28—June 4,  
1849; June 11—August 17, 1849.

House of Delegates: Harvey George.

Senate: Thomas M. Tate. Senatorial District now composed of  
TAZEWELL, Wythe, Grayson, Smythe, Carroll and Pulaski.

Session: December 3, 1849—March 22, 1850.

House of Delegates: Hervey George.

Senate: Thomas M. Tate.

Session: December 2, 1850—March 31, 1851.

House of Delegates: James W. M. Witten.

Senate: Thomas M. Tate.

Sessions: January 12—June 7, 1852. November 22,  
1852—April 11, 1853.

House of Delegates: James W. M. Witten.

Senate: Charles H. Greever. Senatorial District now composed  
of TAZEWELL, Mercer, Monroe, and Giles



### CHAPTER III.

#### ACT CREATING, AND FIXING THE BOUNDARY LINES OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, AND SUBSEQUENT CHANGES MADE OF SUCH LINES.

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The original Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, authorizing the formation of Tazewell County and fixing the boundaries thereof, was passed at the session of 1799, on December 19th. The boundaries designated therein are as follows: "Beginning on the Kanawha line, which divides Montgomery and Wythe Counties, thence to where said line crosses the top of Brushy Mountain, thence along the top of said mountain to its junction with Garden Mountain, thence along the top of said mountain to the Clinch Mountain, thence along the top of said mountain to the head of Cove Creek, a branch of the Maiden Spring Fork of Clinch River, thence a straight line to Mann's Gap in Kent's Ridge, thence North 45° West to the line which divides Kentucky from Virginia, thence along said line to the Kanawha line, and with said line to the place of Beginning."

For a full and complete record of "The Origin and Descent of Tazewell County", the reader is referred to Chapter VI, Pendleton's History of Tazewell County, beginning on page 547. Extracts from said chapter:

"On the 19th of December, 1799, the General Assembly passed an act creating the county of Tazewell to be formed from a part of Wythe, and a part of Russell. From the foregoing synopsis of the processes by which Tazewell County came into existence it is easy to trace its civil descent from the first colony planted at James town. The following is the line of descent:

"The Grand Assemblie Holden at James City the 21st of August, 1633," passed an act that divided the Virginia Colony into eight shires, which were to be governed as the shires of England, and named as follows:

"James City, Henrico, Warwick River, Warroskuyoak, Charles City, Elizabeth City, Charles River and Accawmack."

"The Grand Assemblie, holden at James Citty the 2nd of March, 1642-3" passed an act which declared in part: "It is likewise

enacted and confirmed that Charles River shall be distinguished by this name (County of York).” This meant that Charles River Shire, created by the act of August 21st, 1633, should thereafter be known as York County, and in this manner York County was created in 1643.

New Kent County was formed from York County in 1654.

King and Queen County was formed from New Kent in 1691, the third year of the reign of William and Mary.

Essex County was formed from a part of (old) Rappahannock in 1692. “Old Rappahannock” having previously been a part of York County.

Thus it is seen that the two counties, King and Queen and Essex, were directly descended from Charles River Shire.

King William County was formed from King and Queen County in 1701.

Spottsylvania was formed from Essex, King and Queen, and King William in 1720.

Orange County was formed from Spottsylvania in 1724.

Augusta County was formed from Orange in 1738.

Botetourt County was formed from Augusta in 1769.

Fincastle County was formed from Botetourt in 1772.

Washington County and Montgomery County were formed from Fincastle in 1776.

Russell County was formed from Washington in 1786.

Wythe County was formed from Montgomery in 1789.

Tazewell County was formed from Wythe and Russell in 1799.

By and through the foregoing detailed processes, covering a period of one hundred and ninety-two years, the great county of Tazewell was generated from the first permanent English settlement made upon the North American Continent”.

The boundary lines of the county were changed by subsequent Acts as follows:

An Act, forming Giles County, Acts, 1805-6, p. 49.

An Act, changing Russell County line, Acts 1806-7, p. 3.

An Act, forming Logan County from part of Tazewell, 1823-24, p. 16.

An Act, adding part of County to Wythe and Russell, 1825-26, p. 8.

An Act, adding part of Tazewell to Giles County, 1825-26, p. 14.

An Act, running dividing line between Giles and Tazewell, 1827-28, p. 29.

An Act, adding part of Tazewell to Logan County, 1833-34, p. 85.

An Act, adding part of Tazewell to Giles County, 1835-36 p. 64.

An Act, forming Mercer County from part of Tazewell, 1836-37, p. 41.

An Act, forming Buchanan County from part of Tazewell, 1857-58, p. 49.

An Act, forming McDowell County from part of Tazewell, 1857-58, p. 67.

An Act, forming Bland County from part of Tazewell, 1861, p. 141.



## CHAPTER IV.

### LAWS CONCERNING MARRIAGE; COPY OF MARRIAGE RECORDS FROM 1800 TO 1852-3.

Under the law governing marriages existing in 1800 and for many years thereafter, the contracting parties not only had to obtain the license from the Clerk of the County, but the prospective husband was required to execute bond with security, before obtaining marriage license. A copy of such proceedings is here given:

“Sir

You please to grant Solomon Milam Licens to marry my daughter Nancy Harman and in so doing you will oblidge your friend  
To Mr. Joseph Moore ——— Daniel Harman  
Dpt. Clerk under John Ward of Tazewell County November 29th 1804.

Sworn to before me this 29th of November 1804

test

J. MOORE

ADAM HARMAN

HENRY HARMAN.”

*Bond.*

“Know all men by these presents that we Solomon Milam and Adam Harman are held and firmly bound unto John Page Esqr. Governor of Virginia and his successors in the sum of one hundred & fifty Dollars payment whereof well and truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors we bind ourselves our Heirs & c Jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our Seals and dated the 29th day of November 1804.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Solomon Milam hath this day obtained License for his marriage with Nancy Harman, if therefore there is no legal cause to prevent the marriage for which the said license was given, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain and be in force.

Teste

SOLOMON MILAM (Seal)

Moore, D. C.

ADAM HARMAN (Seal)”

The originals of the above proceedings are on file in our office.

AN EXACT COPY OF MARRIAGE RECORDS FROM 1800 TO 1852-3 AS  
SHOWN BY MARRIAGE REGISTERS NUMBERS ONE AND TWO.

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“A Return of Marriages executed by John Tollett  
 Dec. 30th 1802, Thomas Cartmill & Nancy Compton  
 Jan'y 4th 1803, John Burgess and Janey Shannan  
 March 11th ——— Moses Justice and Susanna Stump  
 March 17th ——— Bird Lockerd and Nancy Mcintosh  
 April 24th David Young & Janey Bollen  
 May 10th John Stafford & Nancy Runyon  
 May 25th Stephen Deskins & Anne Mctosh  
 June 17th John Shields & Lizabeth Coburn  
 Augt 29th Samuel Young & Rebecca Danel  
 Sept 1st John Pruett and Polly McBroom  
 Sept 15th James Mor and Nancy Shannan  
 January 5th 1804 Samuel Lusk & Sarah Bailey  
 January 10th William Suter & Rebecca Dills  
 January 10 Thomas Gison and Polly Peery

JOHN TOLLETT

A memorandum of Marriages in the year 1801  
 Adam Milam and Mary Stokes Apl. 28th  
 Paul Whitley & Nancy Maxfeel June 10  
 Samuel Whitten & Susanna Grenup July 30  
 William Whitten & Nancy Hall November 5th

The Year 1802

George Justice & Martha Mcfarlon January 20  
 John Shively & Pheby Lewis January 18  
 David Shredar and Rhoda Nuckles March 2  
 James Peery and Pheby Pickens March 16  
 Hesecia Harman and Polly Brown Apl. 6  
 John Crockett & Polly Peery April 20  
 Thomas Harrison & Rebecka Peery May 8  
 Thomas Ferguson & Mary Jones June 28th  
 Samuel McCoy & Elizabeth Davis Augt. 12  
 Moses Wortmon and Elizabeth Muncy June 17th

JOHN TOLLETT

## Marriages solemnized by D. Ward

15th May 1801 Joseph Harrisson Rachel Lockart  
 10th Feby 1803 John Graham Rebecka Witten  
 18th June 1802 Wm. Wingo—Mary McGuire  
 2nd Nov. 1801 Robert Doak—Rachel Thompson  
 19th Oct. 1802 Nathl. Young—Sally Deskins  
 6th Augt. 1802 Rees Gillespie—Levicie Bowen  
 5th Nov. 1801 Robert Pritchett—Charity Lockart  
 23rd Nov. 1803 Steph. Blankenship—Jane Peterson  
 4th Feby 1804 Wm. Gent Peggy Robertson  
 25th Apl. 1804 Wm. Maxwell—Mary Witten  
 24th Jany. 1804 Presly Davis—Sally Cochrell  
 8th July 1805 Danl. Lockart Polly Ward  
 Augt. 1805 James Lockhart Polly Bowland  
 20th Augt 1805 Mark Gent—Polly Robertson  
 — Samuel C. Sellars Nancy Daniel  
 1803 Wm. McGuire—Margaret Brown  
 — Joshua Cecil—Jane Cummins  
 1805 Wm. Newton—Betsey Todd  
 — Isaac Brown—Polly Thompson  
 Feby 1805 Mathew Stephenson Betsey Brooks  
 1804 Benjn. Oney—Sally Allen

I do certify that the above named persons have been lawfully joined together in Matrimony by me since the time I was authorized to marry in Tazewell County

DAVID WARD

Sep 24th 1805

Agreeable to License legally obtained, I have solemnized the Rites of matrimony between John Brown & Phebe Claypool the 26th of June 1800

EDWARD KELLY

Benjamin Ramy and Nancy Oney the 26th of June 1800

Abel Griffith & Zilpha Bruster the 9th of Sept 1800

Emby Millard & Sara Roark the 7th of October 1800

I do hereby certify that I have joined Thomas Morgan & Rachel Blankenship in the State of matrimony according to law. Given under my hand this 21st day of October 1801

ALEXR. ROSS



Agreeable to License legally obtained I have solemnized the matrimony between Ralph Steel and Mary Griffitt the 3rd day of February 1803  
EDWARD KELLY

This is to certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that Isaac Adkins & Elizabeth Hager was lawfully joined in holy matrimony on the 6th day of May 1804, according to Law, by viirtue of License bearing date February 16th 1804. This given under my hand this 6th day of May 1804  
NEH. BONHAM

Teste:

PETER DILLS

MARY DILLS

I do hereby certify that according to the Act of the General Assembly, I have solemnized the holy ordance of matrimony between David Bishop & Elizabeth Wolford, February 20th 1801

by JAMES HOBBS

A List of Licensed Marriages Selabrated as followeth,

Daniel Day & Christena Milam Marid Sepr. 11th 1805

George Davidson and Elizabeth Cartmill Marrid Sepr. 26th 1805

Thomas Workman & Sarah Deskins Married October 24th 1805

Benjamin Pruet & Mary Maloney Married January 7th 1806

William Maxwell & Elizabeth Maxwell Married Jany 23 1806

By me HENRY HARMAN

These are to certify that on the Blank day of August 1804 was William Berry & Patty Knot Joined in Holy wedlock by me Nehe-miah Bonham By virtue of Publication. N. B. I having lost the papers of this marriage renders me unable to give the day of the Month

This is to make known to all whom it concerns that on the 11 day of February 1804 was Joined in holy Matrimony Elias Kid and Margaret Bagley by virtue of License from the County Court of Tazewell By me  
NEHE. BONHAM

Marriages Solemnized by Henry Harman

James Conley & Rachel Stobough 22nd May 1806

Ambrus Hall & Peggy Peery June 3d 1806

Solomon Peery & Sally Cartmill Feby 7th 1806

William Taylor & Sally Taylor Nov. 27th 1806

Samuel Morgan & Phebey Stuart June 3th 1806

Thomas Stratton & Nancy Morgan March 27th 1806  
 William Luster and Molley Blankenship Dec. 18th 1806  
 Henry Harman & Martha Bailey Jany 1 1807  
 William Lusk & Charity Runyan Dec 25th 1806  
 Benjamin Runyan & Polly Lusk Jany 6th 1807  
 John Maxwell & Jean Maxwell Jany 8 1807  
 Samuel Witten & Pheby Winne Jany 8th 1807  
 Thomas Mitchell & Polly Harman — 8th 1807  
 Samuel Dailey & Catey Peery June 17th 1806

## HENRY HARMAN

Marriages Solemnized by David Ward between the 24th of Sept  
 1805 & the 28th day of May 1807

David Belshe & Nelly Asberry  
 William K. Higginbotham & Elizabeth Boling  
 William Boling & Levina Asberry  
 Peter Gollehen & Priscella Fulks  
 Joseph Oney & Susannah Witten  
 George Todd & Sarah Brooks  
 James Vandike & Susannah Moore  
 George Shortridge & Dicey Elkins  
 John Smith & Peggey Bêlche

## DAVID WARD

## A List of Marriages Selebrated

Married William Dills & Rebeca Day January 27th 1807  
 Frederick Cook & Jinny Neele Feby 10th 1807  
 John Compton & Polly Walls March 5th 1807  
 James Slater & Caty Davis August 6th 1807  
 John Bartrum & Polley Davis August 2th 1807  
 James Starr & Jenny Doak Nov 5 1807  
 Thomas Peery & Polley Peery Feby 4th 1808

By me HENRY HARMAN

The following marriages were solemnized by the Subscriber

1st David Peery & Eleanor Harman Dec 18th A. D. 1806  
 2nd John Jones & Ruthy Luster Dec 21st A. D. 1806  
 3th William Davidson & Phebe Harmon A D 1806  
 4th James Scaggs & Kenah Witten A D 1807  
 5th Phillip Vincel & Eleanor Davis A D 1807  
 6th Hugh Currin Peggy Wynne A D 1807

7th William Price & Betsey Cecil A D 1807

8th James Gillaspey and Polly Greenup A D 1807

JOAB WATSON

I hereby certify that Mr. John Greenup was married to the amiable Miss Linny Cecill of Montgomery on March 13th A. D. 1808 Sunday evening

JOAB WATSON

I do certify that the following is a true List of the names of persons joined together in the state of matrimony by me since my last return

August 4th 1807 Joseph Smith Taba Asberry

Octo 28th 1807 William Asberry Polly Smith

Sep 24th 1807 John Prater Margret Griffiths

Nov. 7th 1807 James Harrisson, Polley Gillaspey

Dec 31st 1807 Drury Young Sophia Henkle

Dec 31st 1807 Jas. Husk Rebeckah Whitt

Jany 15th 1808 Charles Bates Sally Bruster

DAVID WARD

March 22nd 1808

I do Certify that I have celebrated the rights of Matrimoney between Ralph Fulk and Mary Clark they applying with a licens from the Clerk of Tazewell County this 16th day of July 1807

RICHD. BROWNING

Agreeable to Licence legally obtained *am* have Solemnised the rights of Matrimony between Peter Day and Jane fannan Febuary the 18th 1808

EDWARD KELLY

Agreeable to License legally obtained I have solemnized the right of Matrimoney Between Robert Shortridge and Rebecah Brown this 31st day of December 1807

EDWARD KELLEY

Thise are *saddisfy* all whome it may concern that on the 10th day of Julye 1808, was William Richardson and Rhoda Hicks Joined in Matrimoney By Virtue of Licence from the County Clerk of Tazewell County bearing Date July 5th 1808

By me NEHE. BONHAM

Tazewell County to wit

Robert Wiley and Mary Mason came before me and were joined together in the holey State of Matrimoney 15th day of July 1809

ISAAC QUINN



Tazewell County towit

This is to certify that *That* William Clark and Ann Asberry came before me and ware Joined togeather in the Holy State of Matrimoney August 29th 1809  
ISAAC QUINN

I also certify to you that on the 25th day of August 1809 Thomas Little Eunice Allen was Joined in matrimoney together according to Law by Licence from Joseph Moore by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you that on the 12th Day of October 1809 Isam Tomblinson and Polly Peery was Joined in matrimoney together according to Law by me  
NEHEMIAH BONHAM

I also certify to you that on the 15th day of October 1809, John Shannon and Jenny Cartmill was Joined Joined in matrimoney together according to Law, by me  
JOHN PERRY

I Certify to you that on the 29th Day of October 1809 James Milam and Peggy Davidson were Joine in matrimony together according to Law, by me  
JOHN PERRY

I Certify to you that on the 7th day of November 1809 Zachariah Toler and Lucy Blankenship were Joined in matrimoney together according to Law, by me  
JOHN PERRY

Nov. 25th 1808 William Bailey & Elly Shannon

Dec. 28th 1808 Wm. Blankenship & Avey Williams

Febe 3d 1809 Danl. Deskins & Peggy Francisco

March 30 Do Howard Havins & Mattey Davidson

March 16th Do. Wm. Jones & Nancy Todd

July 26th Do. Robt. Maxwell & Rebeah Maxwell

Octo. 22nd Do George Cummings & Polly Brumfield

July 5th Do. George Peery & Jenney Thompson

I do certify that the above is a true list of persons names Joined together in the State of Matrimoney by me since the last Return

DAVID WARD

Octo 23d 1809

This to Sertify that I jined these persons toGether in the Holley Estate of Matrimony

Lennel Clyburn and Nancy Brooks on December 12 Day 1809

Henry Bolin and Mary Higginbotham on December 19th Day 1809

William Thompson and Leuece Gelaspy on January 25th Day  
1801

William Garrison and fanny Higginbotham on July 3 Day 1801

James Griffitt and Sinthy Nelson on August 2 Day 1801

## Jined toGether by me

DAVID YOUNG

This is to Certify that I joined together John Asberry and Polly Ratliff on the 17 day of Janary 1811

And I also Joined together Thomas Chafin and Polly Asbury on  
the 8th day of May 1811

And I also Joined together John Gillespie and Roda Harman  
on the 31st day of January 1811

And I also Joined together Charles Higginbotham and Milly Blankenship on the 21st day of May 1811

These are Joined by

DAVID YOUNG

This is to certify that I joined William Curl and Rebecca Oney  
on the 6th day of June 1811

Thomas Cecil & Jinney Stratton on the 28th day of August 1811

John Smith & Polly Vincel on the 29th day of August 1811

Jonathan Williams & Betsy Blankenship on the 19th day of Sep.  
1811

These are *Jined* together By me

DAVID YOUNG

This to certify that on the 8th day of November 1811 I joined together John Cecil and Linny Witten in holey matrimoney

DAVID YOUNG

This is to Certify to John Crockett Clerk of T C that on the 15th Day of November 1809 Eli Blankenship and Polly Smith were married together by *licene* from under Joseph Moore hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you on the 30th day of November 1809 James P. Carrel & Patsey Peery was Joined together according to law,  
by me JOHN PERRY

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you that on the 1st Day of Feby 1810 Henry Runyan and Hannah Collins was Joined together according to Law,  
by me JOHN PERRY

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you that on the 14th day of June 1810 Larkin S. Kidd and Elizabeth Jones was Joined together according to law  
by me JOHN PERRY

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you that on the 1st Day of Nov. 1810 George Perry and Nancy Bruster was Joined together according to law,  
by me JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you that on the 25th day of Decemb. 1810 John Wynne and Olivv Peery was Joined together according to Law  
by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to you that on the 22nd Day of July 1810 Rober Neel and Rebeckah Waggoner was Joined together according to Law by  
me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to John Crockett C T C that on the 26 day of December 1810 James Marrs & Sally Workmon was Joined together according to law by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to you that on the 11th day of April 1811 Fielding Burton & Thursza Hager was Joined together according to Law  
by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to you that on the 26th Day of May 1811 Adom Waterford and Betsey Day people of Colour was Joined together according to Law by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to you that on the 20th Day of June 1811 Charles Lusk and Anne Runyan was Joined together according to Law  
by me JOHN PERRY

Tazewell County

These are to certify that on the 9 day of June 1812 Hickman Cumpton & Elizabeth Justice was Joined in Holy matrimoney By Virtue of Licence bearing date May 29th 1812 This given under my hand this day & year above written NEHEM. BONHAM

I Certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County Towit, That on the 9th day of July 1811 Absolum Godfrey and Polley Bailey was Joined in the holey *Estate* of Matrimoney by Licence Dated July the 6th 1811 me JOHN PERRY

I Do Certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 11th Day of July 1811 Elijah Kidd & Tilly Neel was Joined Together in the holey estate of Matrimoney by publication of the Banns by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 29th day of August 1811 Archibald Peery and Nancy Peery was Joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence dated the 28th of August 1811 by me JOHN PERRY



I Certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County on the 15th Day of September 1811 Hervy Stump & Milly Cecil was Joined together in the holey estate of matrimoney by Licence Dated the 10th day of Sept. 1811 by me

JOHN PERRY

I also cerify to the Clerk of Tazewell that on the 24 Day of December 1811 Hiram Peery & Ruth Lasley was Joined together in the holey estate of Matrimoney by licence Joseph Moore by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to the Cilerk of Tazewell that on the 2d Day of March 1812 Charles Pleasant & Betsey Blackwell was Joined together in holy wedlock by license by J. Moore by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to the Clerk of Tazewell that on the 12th day of March 1812 Ziba Mitchum & Vena Smith That on the 22d of March 1812 Richard Lambert & Frankey Stowers was Joined together in the holey estate of wedlock by Publishing the Baons by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 23d of April 1812 Dodrigge Baily & Phebe Belcher was Joined together by licence the 6th day of June

Abraham Harris & Rachel Williams was Joined together by publication of Baans by me

JOHN PERRY

I certify to the Clerk of Tazewell, that on the 21 Day of August 1812 John Lambert and Rebeckah Power was Joined by licence Also on the 1st day of Sept 1812 Robert Wynne & Peggy Russell was Joined by licence John Carter & Betsey Carver on the 10th Day of Octo 1812 was Joined by publication of the Baans by

JOHN PERRY

October 26th day 1812

This is to Sertify that I have Joined these persons in holy wedlock

Joined Jacob Butcher & Hannah Beverly on the 2 day of Jany 1812

Joined Charles Young and Polly Trent on the 12 day of March 1812

Joined Witt Asberry & Betsey Chafin on the 25 day of March 1812

Joined Daniel Young & Mary Johnston on the 11 day of June 1812

Joined James Asberry & Caty Francisco on the 25 day of June  
1812

Joined William Griffiths & Leathe Ratliff on the 15 day of  
October 1812

These Joined together in the holy state of matrimoney by me  
Tazewell County towit **DAVID YOUNG**

I David Young do Certify that the following List contains all  
the marriages Celebrated by me within the preceeding year

Archabald Elkins & Hannah Stephenson on the 5 day of Jan-  
uary 1815

James Charles & Anne Wynn on the 19th day of January 1815

Buse Harmon & Nancy Cecil on the 19th day of April 1815

Neely Johnston & Caty Davis on the 8 day of June 1815

William Bevers & Rebeccah Mitchel on the 11 day of June 1815

William Davis & Levina Totten on the 15th day June 1815

Thomas Brown & Rachel Mentosh on 22 day of June 1815

Abednego White & Nancy Blackwell 27 day of July 1815

Hezekiah Blankenship & Nancy Boling on the 14th day of Sept  
1815

Leonard Harper & Pattey Follen on the 14 day of Sept. 1815

John Mitchel & Sally Hankins on the 5 day of October 1815

These are Joined together by me in the year 1815

**DAVID YOUNG**  
A return of marriages

I Do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that  
John Crow & Sally Lambert was Joined together in the holy estate  
of Matrimoney the 30th Day of December 1813

Ephriam Dumbar & Elizabeth Harman on the 20th day of Jany  
1814

Jameson Richard Billips & Nancy Wright on the 13th day of  
March 1814

Richard Lambert & Nancy Fortner on the 28th day of April  
1814

John Shannon & Rebecah Cumpton on the 7th day of Augst. 1814

Philip Solsberry & Betsey Bailey on the 22nd day of Jany 1815

William Carter & Catherine Williams 22nd day of Jany 1815

John Gilbert & Sally Taber on the 16th day of April 1815

John Belcher & Jincey Nuckles on the 5th day of May 1815

**JOHN PERRY**

## Tazewell County towit

I David Young do Certify that the following List contains all the marriages Celebrated by me within preceeding Year

I Joined together Joseph Pruett and Susannah Clevinger on 2nd day of Jany 1814

Joseph Hankins & Nancy Mitchel on the 2 day of January 1814

David Allin & Margret Dailey on the 24th of February 1814

John Deskins & Polly Totten on the 4 day of April 1814

Joseph Welle & Polly Henkel on the 20th of April 1814

Andrew Edmonson & Jean C. Bowen on the 10th day of November 1814

Thomas Dailey & Sally MCantosh 23th day of September 1814

These are Joined together by me in the year 1814

DAVID YOUNG

Wm. Oney and Sarah Brown married March 22th 1812

John Richa and Elizabeth MCKintosh married July 14th 1813

Wm. Green and Sarah Bostick married October 3th 1814

WILLIAM LAZEWEL

## Tazewell County towit

This is to certify that I Joined the following persons in holey wedlock in the year 1813

James Prater and Phebe Griffitts on the 14th day of January 1813

Hiram Witten and Jinney Lard on the 15th day of February 1813

Isaac Quinn and Cinthea Witten on the 6th day of October 1813

Samuel Young & Sarah Folling on the 18th day of October 1813

DAVID YOUNG

I do hereby certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 27 Day of December 1812 Cornelias Brown *Alias Stump and Betsey Cotton* was Joined together in Matrimoney by Publication of the Banns by me

JOHN PERRY

Robert Wynn & Levina Hix on the 4th day of Feby 1813

Robert Ward & Jinney Peery 9th day of Feb 1813

Jesse Belcher & Sophia McKinsey on the 16th day of April 1813

William Hearn & Busannah Hix 3th day of June 1813

James Toler & Nancy Wall on the 5th day of August 1813

James MCNeely & Milly Wall on the 5th day of August 1813

John Milam & Barbara Shrader on the 26th day of August 1813



Samuel Wynn & Sally Hix on the 2nd day Sept. 1813

Jedediah Mitcham & Joana Smith on the 13th day of Sept 1813

John Crow (or Cron) & Sally Lambert on the 30th day of December 1813

Ephram Dunbarr & Elizabeth Harman on the 20th day of Jany 1814  
JOHN PERRY

Tazewell County December 25th 1815

This certifies that I solemnised the marage Contract between Adam Vincel and Sally Lockhart

Joseph Moore D.CC.

ISAAC QUINN

This is to certify that on the ninth day of April last I celebrated the rights of matrimoney between W. Muncey & Sally Dailey according to Law

Given under my hand as above

1816 August 27th

GEORGE EAKINS

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do certify that the following List contains all the Marriages Celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I Joined Balam Boling and fanny Higginbotham together on the fifteenth day of february 1816

I also Joined Charles Dayley and Hannah Bruster together on the Sixth day of June 1816

I also Joined thomas Bruster and Rebecah MCantosh together on the 19th day of Sept

These are joined together by me  
Sir

DAVID YOUNG

I transmit to your office By your authority on the twenty ninth of September 1815 Joined together John Cummings and Polly Right

JAMES CHARLES

I do hereby certify that on the 3rd of September 1816 I celebrated the nuptal Rites between Henry Hennegar and Peggy Corbit according to Law

GEORGE EAKINS

I do hereby certify that on the 5th of April 1812 I Celebrated the nuptial rites between Adam Harman & Lavisa Harman according to Law

SAML. H. THOMPSON

I Do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 16th day Apl. 1815 John Gibbit & Sally Taber was Joined together in the holy Estate of matrimoney by licence by me

JOHN PERRY

I also Certify to the Celrk of T County that on the 29th Day of April 1815 John Belcher and Jenney Nuckles was joined together in the holy estate of Matrimoney by licence by me

JOHN PERRY

I do certify to John Crockett Clerk of sd. County that on the 6th Day of August 1815 Joshua Peery and Nancey Power was Joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence by me

I do certify to John Crockett Clerk of sd. County that on the 29th Day of february 1816 Larkin Stowers and Nancy Lambert was Joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence by me

JOHN PERRY

I do Certify to the Clerk of said County that on the 6th day of June 1816 Henry Epperheart and Christena Day was joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence by me

JOHN PERRY

I Do Certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 2nd day of July 1816 Gideon Wright and Elonor Waggoner

Also James Power and Raches Ceel the 11th day of sid. month & date was Joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence by me

JOHN PERRY

I do certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 21st day of November 1816 Christopher Dillion & Rhoda Bailey was Joined together in the hold estate of matrimoney by licence by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 3th Day of December 1816 David Steel and Matty Perry was Joined together in the holy estate of Matrimoney by Licence by me

JOHN PERRY

Oct 31st 1816

This day I solemnised the Marriage Contract between John Dawson and Betsey White Tazewell Cy Virginia

ISAAC QUINN

This certifies that the marage Contract has been Duly solemnised between William Gibson and Permilia Peery March 10th 1817

ISAAC QUINN

This certifies that the Marage Contract has been Legaly Solemnised between George Webb and Betsey Perdew March 10th 1817

ISAAC QUINN

This Certifies that the Marage Contract has been duly solemnised between James Coldwell and Sally Cecil March 20th 1817

ISAAC QUINN

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do hereby Certify that the following list contains all the marrages Celebrated by me within the preceeding year

Absolum Young and Sally Brumfield on the 12 day December 1816

George MCantosh and Isbel Bruster on the 19 day December 1816

Randle Henkle & Charlotte Young on the 19th day December 1816

Joseph Higgenbotham & Milly Young on the 6th day February 1817

Squire Oney and Hannah Seaggs on the 22nd day May 1817

Alexander Ward and Jenney Thompson on the 19 day June 1817

John W. Johnston Levis S. Bowen on the 7 day October 1817

Rubin Pruett & Nancy Vandikes on the 30th Day of October 1817

Henry Blankenship and Sally Vandikes 30 day of October 1817

Joshua MGuire & Polly MGuire on the 6th day November 1817

These are executed by me DAVID YOUNG

I Do hereby certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the time registered on this list the following Couples was Joined together by me John Perry to wit,

Daniel Clark & Mary Mattingley May 28th 1817 by Licence

Also Rolin Dillion and Betsey Clark August the 21 by licence 1817

Joseph Claypole & Rebeckah Sanders August 31:1817 by publication of Banes

Also Hiram Compton & Jenny Shannon September the 23th 1817 by licence

Also Eli Lusk & Elizabeth Bailey on November the 23d 1817 by licence

Also Absolum Lusk and Dilly Bailey on November 27th 1817 by licence

Also Henry Stump and Sally Pruitt March 26th 1818 by publications of Banes, All being Joined together in holy matrimony according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church to which they belong by me

JOHN PERRY



April the 10th 1818

These Certify that the Marriage Contract has been solemnised  
between James Witten and Rebecca Peery ISAAC QUINN

May the 10th 1818

These Certify that the Marriage Contract has been solemnised  
between Thomas Peery and Anne Gose ISAAC QUINN

November the 4th 1817

These Certify that the marriage Contract has been duly solemnised between John Vincell and and Nancy Barrett

ISAAC QUINN

November the 8th 1817

These Certify that the marriage Contract has been Duly Solemnised between William Sayers and Lettay Laird

ISAAC QUINN

Married by me according to Law

John Davidson & Tabitha Witten December 25th 1817

Tazewell County Virginia and

Samuel Dillion & Polly Rinehart March 29th 1818 Tazewell  
County Va. JAMES PORTER A E

June 23th 1818

Sir I transmit to your office By your authority on the 15th July  
1817 Joined together Peter Gose and Isabella Kimbrough in holy  
state of matrimony,

Also Robert Waddle and Polly Johnston on the 17 October 1817

Likewise on the 3 day of March 1818 James Hall & Magdalen  
Wynn JAMES CHARLES

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all  
the Marriages Celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I Joined Samuel Cecil and Rebeca Smith together according to  
Law on the 18 day of November 1817

I Joined George Asburry and Polly Chaffin together according  
to Law on the 22nd day of April 1818

I Joined John Barns and Lilley Heldrith together according to  
law on the 8th day of October 1818

I Joined Stephen Low & Susannah Griffitts together according  
to law on the 17th day of Sept 1818

I Joined Milton Ward and Matty D. Thompson together according  
to Law on the 15th day of Octo 1818

I Joined Robart Gillespie and Jane Ward on the 31 day of  
December 1818

I Joined Rees Ward and Elizabeth Bowen on the 29 day of January 1819

I Joined Jeames Bruster and Rachel Lockhart on the 7 day of January 1819

I Joined Moses Beavers and Phebe Harman on the 9 day of February 1819

I Joined George Wolford and Poley Green on the 11 day of Febury 1819

I Joined Maxwell Mars and Jane Brooks on the 18 day of March 1819

I Joined Squire Johnston and Polly Luster on the 1 day of June 1819

I Joined Oliver Crafford Catherine Griffitts on the 20 day of June 1819

I Joined Fedrick Clark and Polly Kindrick on the 10 day June 1819

I Joined Thomas Bruster and Polly Deskins the 25t day July 1819

I Joined Moses Christian and Polly Beevers on the 29 day of July 1819

I Join'd Archable Barnet and Nancy Beevers on the 29 day July 1819

I Joined James Witten and Levicy Thompson on the 4 day November 1819

I Joined Robert Allen and Betsey Kesky on the 18 day November 1819

These are executed by me DAVID YOUNG  
Tazewell County December the 28 1819

Performed the Matrimonial Rites. Wm. Boils & Anny Vincell  
January 22 1819

Alexander Cook & Elenor Stump Sept. 16 1819

John C. Lusk & Polly Corder 21 October 1819

Wm. Wilson & Jenny Maxwell June the 3 1819

John Gipson & Cynthie Peery March the 18 1819

Cornelius Shannon & Anne McGrannahan December the 11, 1819  
August the 23rd 1819. JAMES CHARLES

These are certify that the marriage contract has been duly solemnised between Henry Vincell and Elizabeth Doake

ISAAC QUINN



October the 2nd 1819.

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duly solemnised between Martain Peery & Ruth ODonald

ISAAC QUINN

December the 3rd 1819.

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duly solemnised between Charles Tiffany and Maria Crockett

ISAAC QUINN

August the 10th 1820

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duely solemnised between Henry P. George and Polly A. Williams

ISAAC QUINN

May 24th 1820

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duely solemnised between Joseph McGuire & Chloe Trent

ISAAC QUINN

March the 30th 1820

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duely solemnised between Joseph Peery and Peggy Gose

ISAAC QUINN

February the 10th 1820

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duely solemnised between Thomas Rutledge & Atillia Peery

ISAAC QUINN

January the 20th 1820.

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duely solemnised between John Nunneley and Permilla Mitchel

ISAAC QUINN

January the 21st 1820

These are to certify that the marriage contract has been duely solemnized between James Peery and Nancy Harman

ISAAC QUINN

Tazwell County to wit

I David Young do certify that the following List contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year.

I Joined Adam Harman and Ruth Christian on the 20 day of August 1819

I Joined Jacob McLaughlin and Elizabeth Clark on the 17 day of Febury 1820

I Joined Harvey Steel and Jean Asbery on the 21 day of September 1820

I Joined Thomas Asbery and Levicy Brooks on the 23 day of March 1820

I Joined George Green and Anne Bostick on the 10 day of March 1820

I Joined James Brooks and Polly Asbery on the 24 day of August 1820

I Joined Rees B. Duff and Lilly Bowen on the 3d day of October 1820

I Joined William Smith and Polly Green on the 30 day of July 1820

I Joined Robert Young and Nancy White on the 25 day of May 1820

I Joined William Barns and Levisa Ward on the 11 day of January 1821

I Joined Elihu McMeans and Nancy Griffitts on the 22 day of February 1821

I Joined Archibald Thompson and Polly Thompson on the 22 day of Febury 1821

Executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

I do hereby certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that in the year 1819 on the 15th day of July Jonathan Pauley and Susanna Boyd were joined together in the holey estate of Matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

That on the 17 day of Augt 1819 Joshua Hervey and Nancy Walls were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

That on the 16 day of September 1819 Phillip Harless and Caty Hager was joined together in the holy estate of Matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

That on the 11th day of November 1819 William Bayley and Susannah Lusk were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by

JOHN PERRY

That on the 16 day of March 1820 Richard Lambert and Sally Runyon were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

That on the 6 day of September 1820 Archibald Bailey & Elizabeth Lusk were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me  
JOHN PERRY

That on the 7th day of September 1820 James MComas and Rebekah Bailey were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me  
JOHN PERRY

That on the 23d day of November 1820 Charles Scisn and Sally Perry were joined together in the holy state of Matrimony by me  
JOHN PERRY

That on the 4th day of January 1821 Reuben Q. Andrews Jenny Knuckles were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me  
JOHN PERRY

That on the 18th day of January 1821 William Knuckles and Lucy Slauter were joined together in the state of matrimony by me  
JOHN PERRY

Tazewell County January 13th 1821.

Sir I transmit to your office by your authority on the third of March 1820 celebrated the matrimonial rights of Benjamin C. Robbins and Juliett Hall

Likewise on the 27th of July 1820 that of Jonathan Peery and Elizabeth Peery.

On the Eleventh day of July 1820 that of Moses Workman and Sarah Mars

On the fourth day of January 1821 that of James Wilson and Pamela Peery

Return made in the year and date above written

JAMES CHARLES

Tazewell County to wit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year

I Joined William Brown and Jean Kindrick on the 9th day of March 1821.

I Joined Moses Davis and Nelly Ratcliff on the 29th day of March 1821

I joined William Deskins and Caty Brown on the 17th day of May 1821

I joined John Brooks and Mary Ann Asberry on the 31st day of May 1821



I joined Jeames McGuire and Betsey Brown on the 2 day of August 1821.

I joined Henry W. Cisil and Rebecca Claypole on the 2 day of August 1821

I joined Lynsa Boland and Levicie Brooks on the 11th day of October 1821

I joined Edley MGuire and Susanna Arnhart on the 25th day of October 1821

I joind Samuel Calwell and Ann Eliza Cisel on the 22 day of November 1821

Executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

Tazewell County to wit

I do hereby certify to John Crockett Clerk of said County that in the month of June 1821 James Pendleton and Patsey Millar also John Coleman and Milly Nuckles and George Rinehart and Patsey Nuckles were all joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me but I have misplaced the licence I do not recolect the day of the month perhaps they are returned and entered already.

I also certify to sd. Clerk that on the 14th of August 1821 William Witton and Jenny Ward was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

I certify to said Clerk that on the 20th day of September 1821 Thomas Ward and Elizabeth Sanders were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

I also certify to said Clerk that on the 22nd of November 1821 Joseph Brown and Nancy Griffey also Benjamin Prince and Nancy Belsher were joined in the holy estate of matrimony by me

I certify to said Clerk that on the 2nd Day of December 1821 William W. Compton & Sarah Compton were joined together in the holy state of matrimony by me

I also certify to the said Clerk that on the 12th day of Jany. 1822 Caleb Davidson and Lockey Jones were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

I do hereby certify to John Crockett Clk of Tazewell County that on the 14th of February 1822 Benjamin Ball and Temperance Fortner was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk that on the 21st day of Feby 1822 John Corder and Ruth Lusk were joined together in the holey estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

N. B. All the Couples were joined together by licence from said Clerk except James Pendleton and Patsey Miller which was joined together by publication of the *Banes*

JOHN PERRY

I certify to John Crockett C. T. C. that on the 30th of March 1820 Jubal Jones and Jane Suter were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

SAMUEL NEWBERRY

These are to certify that the marriage contracts have been duely solemnised between the following persons

Richard and Rebecca Whitt November 18th 1820

John Beavers and Polly Dillion September 25th 1821

Woodward South and Dama Moore April 4th 1821

Lewis Horton and Ruth Davis November 30th 1820

John Wiley and Eleanor Wilson May 31st 1821

Richard Bailey and Betsey Rinehart Nov. 28th 1820

John C. Williams and Eleanor Peery October 20th 1820

Samuel D. Sayers and Jinney Higginbotham September 16th 1820

John Sayers and Betsey Goodwin August the 15th 1820

ISAAC QUINN

I certify that in pursurance of a licence from the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I have on the 29' day of March 1822 solemnized the rites of matrimony agreeable to the forms and customs of the Methodist Episcopal Church between James Adams and Levisey Milam

Given under my hand this 10th day of August 1822

ANCIL RICHARDSON, Deacon

These certify that the marriage contracts has been duly solemnised between the following couples in 1822

Ancil Richardson and Jane G. Davidson

James Wilson and Eleanor Crockett

Campbell Maxwell and Jane Whitley

Israel Vandyke and Polly Beavers

Nathaniel Pratt and Peggy Laird

John Crockett and Polly Boyl

Abraham Still and Patsey P. Moore

John Boyl and Jane Taylor

David Christian and Linney Trent

ISAAC QUINN

December the 30th 1822

A List of Marriages celebrated by William Lanwell in the Year  
of our Lord 1822 in Tazewell County Va

Masteon Christian and Jane McVeinster September 1st

Daniel Jonson Haner Shepley Feby 2

April the 15th 1823

Sir I return to your office on the 6th day of July 1822 Joined  
together in the Holy Estate of Matrimony Acles Fannon & Eleanor  
Workman

On the 24th day of October 1822 Jene Bainey & Mary Cook

On the 5th day of December 1822 James Wynn & Sophia Peery

On the 2 Day of January 1823 Phillip Greever and Nancy Ritter

Yours &c

JAMES CHARLES

I hereby certify that on September 19th 1822 I joined together  
Chrispy Anos Walker and Eleanor C. Whitten as man and wife by  
virtue of a licence obtained from the Clerk of Tazewell County Court  
Given under my hand May 5th 1823

LANDON DUNCAN M. N. T.

Tazewell County to wit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all  
the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

Robert Belcher and Nancy on March 21

William Jackson & Jean Matinglee on June 20

Hiram Bolen & Lucy Goodwin April 25

John M. Lockheart & Sally McGuire May 2

Henry Gillespie & Ruth Chaffin April 14

John Stephenson & Lizabeth harkrider Feby. 12

John Augustus Cook & polly Oney Sep 19

Samuel Cerril & Lizabeth Belcher Des 22

Hugh Young and Levicy Bowen January 16

John Steel and Peggy Shufflebarger Jun 24

George Higginbotham & Patsey Chaffin Jun 21

Evans Griffitts & Polly Ratliff Jun 11

William Blankenship & Bersheba Ratliff Jun 28

These are Executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

(1823)

I do hereby certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County  
that on the 17th day of October 1822 William Blankenship and



Sally Bailey was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from you by me John Peery

I do hereby certify to sd. Clerk of said County that on the 31st day of December 1822 James Hager & Susanna Reader was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from you, by me

JOHN PERRY

I do hereby certify to sd. Clerk of sd. County that on the 17th day of June 1823 Thomas S. Walker & Christiana Waggoner was joined together in the Holy estate of Matrimony by publication of Bans By me

JOHN PERRY

October 6th 1823

Tazewell County from a licence from your office I transmit the following marriage to wit James Bruce and Elizabeth Justice Solemnized by me on the 18th of September 1823

JOSHUAY BRUCE

These certify that the marrage Contracts have been duly Solemnised between the following Couples in 1823

Mathias Harman and Polley Barnett

Harvey G. Peery and Rebea Williams

Ephram Marrisson & Sophea Harman

William Thompson and Matilda Witten

Charles C. Gibson and Derinda Cecill

Robert Barrett and Peggy Maxwell

John Boiles and Jane Taylor

Isaac Dailey and Elizabeth Cecell

Henry Patterson and Polley Bandy

Wm. M. P. Quinn and Eliza Witten

Zachariah Cecill and Abigail Quinn

ISAAC QUINN

Tazewell County Virginia

This certifyeth that on the 13th of February last I solemnized the right of matrimoney between Rees B. Gillespie and Mary Ann Tiffaney according to Licence granted from your office

ANCEL RICHARDSON

Feby 14th 1824

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of March 1824 was Jacob Wagoner and Harriot Williams Joined in Holy Matrimoney according to Law, by me Nehemiah Bonham By Virtue of Lawfull publication this given under my hand this 24th day of March

The day and Year above written

To the Clerk of Tazewell County

I do hereby certify that I have joined the following persons in the state of matrimony according to law to wit

John Baily and Polly G. Witten January 2nd 1822

Joseph McKinney and Martha Dillion Sept 26th 1822

John Belsher and Sally Brown October 8th 1822 and

Archibald Melony & Rachel Hankins Sept 5th 1823

Given under my hand this 22nd day of Sept 1823

WILLIAM SHANNON

Tazewell County to Wit march 11th 1824

This solemnised the right of matrimoney between Randolph Scott & Isabella Kendrick by authority of licence from this Court

W. S. KENDRICK

Tazewell County Set 'To John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County

I do hereby certify that on the sevrei dates under written I joined together in the holy state of matrimony the several Couples underneath named To wit,

Clay Bailey & Rebeca atkins December 10th 1823 by licence from under your hand by S. M. Stilwell D C

Also Alem Hager & Elizabeth Bailey December the 11th 1823 by Licence from under your hand by S. M. Stilwell D. C.

Also John I Woodridge & Sarah Srader January the 8th 1824 by licence from under your hand by S. M. Stilwell D C

Also John Grills & Addeline Yoct January 29th 1824 by licence from under your hand John Crockett D S C

Also Milam Fletcher & Jane Coleman June 27th 1824 by licence from under your hand John Crockett C S C

Also Benjamin Tickle & Martha Neel July the 8th 1824 by licence from under your hand By S M Stilwell D C Eche (?) of which being Joined according to the rules & ceremoneys of the Church to which I Belong Given under my hand

JOHN PEERY

Tazewell County August 22 1824

This is to Certify that I have Celebrated the Rights of Matri-money agreeable to the Proper authority between Joshua McGuire and Susan Harman Given under my hand

ABRAHAM STILL

Tazewell County to wit

I David Young do Certify that the following List Containg all the marriages Celebrated by me within the preceeding year.

I Join James Griffy and Alethia Griffitts on the 9 July 1822

James Robertson and Lucy Baird on April 4 1823

Deskins Green and Ratliff on the 5th Day of February

1823

Elijah Norwd and Jinney matney on 12th day February 1823

John Christian and Cathan McKenster August 4th 1823

Robert Horton and Nancy Steel February 24th day 1824

Larkin Bishop and Ester Meguire October 7 1824

Burdine H Correl and lydia Doke october 23 1824

Asa Harper and Elender Jackson December 23d 1824

Isaac Robins and Betsy Asbury January 30th 1825

Ebenezer C. Hatch and Betsy Sawyers Febuary 1 1825

James Seatt and Elizabeth Kindrick February 14th 1825

*These are Executed by me*

DAVID YOUNG

The Marriag of Robert Davidson an Polly Harman was solem-  
nized By me Feb 3d 1825

ACIL RICHARDSON

December the 30th 1824 Tazewell Cy

These Certify that Marriage Contracts have been duly solem-  
nised between the following within this year

Evan D. Williams an Isabella kendrick

James Quinn and Elenor Witten

James Barnet and Abigal Hedrick

ISAAC QUINN

To they Clerk of Tazewell County Return to your office for 1824  
Celebrated the matrimonial Right

July the 8th William Day Elizabeth Thompson

August the 5th Isaac King Rebecca Dills

17th october Thomas Owens Hannah Crockett

23rd December William Dickeson Betsey Martain

11th November William Peters Sally Peery S. M. Stilwell.

January 15th 1825

JAMES CHARLES

March 23d 1825

Solemnised the rights of matrimoney between Cornelius McGuire  
and Margaret Steel both of this County by licence from this office

W. P. KENDRICK T. E.



Tazewell County to wit

I do hereby certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 26th day of August 1824 John Lambert and Grayilla Suiter was joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 17th day of November 1824 James White and Polly Bailey was joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 25 day of November 1824 William Payne and Peggy Lusk was joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to John Crockett Clerk of said County that on the 17th day of December 1824 Isaac Adkins batchelor and Polly Lusk was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 25th day of January 1825 Isaac ODonnell and Rebecca Swader was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 15th day of February 1825 Robin Carver and Sally Fortner was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from your office by me

JOHN PERRY

I also Certify to said Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 24th day of March 1825 Reuben Steel & Clarissa Peery was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from your office by me

JOHN PERRY

I Edward T. Peery minister of the Gospel and duly authorised by law to perform the rights of matrimoney—have Joined the following persons in the holy estate of matrimoney within the County of Tazewell in pursuance to licens issd from the office of said County Jocab Griffitts to Nancy McFarlane on the 19th April 1825

EDWARD T. PEERY

Solemnised the right of matrimoney between John M. Powell and Polly Lusk the 22nd of December 1825 by me

ANCIL RICHARDSON L D.

Tazewell County towit

From a licence obtained from your office to cilebrate the rites of marage between Josiah Bruce and Sally Justice I have celebrated the same on the 15th day of September 1825

SAMUEL NEWBERRY

Return to your office for 1825

Celebrated the rights of matrimoney of

24th February Michael Stump & Polly Crockett

4th August Edward Hannon & Jane Maxwell

6th September Milton Haws & Laodician Franklin

13th September Allen Justice & Elleanor Flummer

6 October Thomas Franklin & Margaret Stump

This 29th December of the above date

JAS. CHARLES

This is to certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimoney between Bery Humphreys and Susan Moore on the 17th day December 1825. Given under my hand

JOSIAH B. DAUGHTRY

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year.

I joined Isaac Nelson & Susanah Young on the 8th day of March 1825

I joined John Montgomery & Jane McMillen on the 14th day of March 1825

I joined William Lyon & Lucinda Medows on the 7th day of April 1825

I joined John Brooks & Rebecca Marrs on the 4th day of June 1825

I joined Peter Gose and Nancy Smith on the 23rd day of July 1825

I joined Joseph Moore & Hannah Elkins on the 4th day of October 1825

I joined John Dougherty & Nancy Ward on the 6th day October 1825

I joined Archibald Asbury & Eliza Davis on the 28th day of October 1825

I joined George Steel & Elizabeth Steel on the 22nd December 1825

DAVID YOUNG

This is to certify that I solemnised matrimony Between *Elexander* Beavers & Elizabeth Hankins Sept 22nd 1825

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I certify that I solemnised the marriage between John Hark-rider & Nancy Francisco October 23rd 1825

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

This is to Certify that I solemnised marriage between Patrick McGlachlin & Rachel Pucket Sept 15th 1825

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I Certify that I solemnised the marriage between Andrew McGuire & *Amiable* Beavers November 24 1825

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

This to Certify that I solemnised marriage Between John Howell and Rebecca Hankins July 10th 1825

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

Celebrated the rights of matrimony between Peter Fox and Polly Hall on the 24th November 1825 agreeable to a licens issued from Tazewell County Clerks Office

JAMES CHARLES

This is to certify that I celebrated the rights of matrimony between Berry Umphres and Susan Moore on the 17th day of December 1825

J. B. DOUGHERTY

This is to certify that the marriage contract has been duly solemnised between William Gillespie and Jane Crockett

Simon Davis and Rebecca Bayan

Edmon Harrisson and lilly Deskins

Addison Crockett and Lettisia Harman in 1825

ISAAC QUINN

Celebrated the right of matrimony Between James P. McGranahan and Cynthia Brown. Solemnised on the 7th Sept 1826 by me

ANCIL RICHARDSON

Local deacon of the Methodist Episcopal Church

Solemnised the rights of matrimony Between Fransis Crockett & Martha C. George this 12th October 1826

ANCIL RICHARDSON

Local Deacon of the Methodist Episcopal Church Return to your office

On the 7th day of July 1826 Joined together John Wilson and Catherine Henneger

JAMES CHARLES



To the Clerk of Tazewell County

October 23d 1826

I do hereby Certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 18th Day of August 1825 David Pane and Betsey Cassiday was Joined together in the holey State of Matrimoney by me

By licence from under your hand

I do also certify to John Crockett said Clerk of said County that Isaac French and Rhoda Day was Joined together in the holy estate of matrimoney on the 20th day of October 1825 by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 1st Day of December 1825 Robert Neel and Nancey Waggoner was Joined together in the holey Estate of matrimoney by licence from under your hand by me

I do hereby certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 28th Day of January 1826 Samuel Haywood and Patsey Tiller was Joined together in the holey estate of matrimoney by Publication of Banes by me

JOHN PERRY

To John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County

Return to your office for 1825 Celebrated the matrimonial rights of  
 24th February Michael Stump & Polly Crockett  
 4th August Edward Hannon & Jane Maxwell  
 6th September Allen Justice & Elenor Flummer  
 6th October Thomas Franklin & Margret Stump

This 29th December of the above date JAMES CHARLES

Mr. John Crockett CLK (on margin of this page is written  
 "This is recorded 6 pages back")

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I certify that I celebrated the rights of matrimoney between William Johnston & Nancy Prater the 5th of february 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE Ordained Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimoney between Aaron Asbury & Rebecca bishop the 23d of february 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE Ordained Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I certify that I ciliated the rites of matrimony between Moses Asbury and Patsey luster the 26 of february 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE Ordained Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I certify that I cilibrated the rites of matrimony between Harvey Lester and Catherine bishop June 1st 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE ordained Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of tazewell I certify that I cilibrated the rites of matrimoney between John Blankenship and Elizabeth Johnston the 7th day of May 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE ordaind Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of tazewell I certify that I cilibrated the rites of matrimony between Charles Matenler and Hannah Miller the 12 day of July 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE ordaind Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of tazewell I certify that I celabrated the rites of matrimoney between Joseph Brown and Elizabeth Steel the 12th day of September 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE ordaind Preacher

To the Clerk of the County Court of tazewell I certify that I cilabrated the rites of matrimony between Larkin bishop and Polly Clevenger the 1st day of December 1826

WILLIAM MCGUIRE ordaind Preacher

The foregoing list of marriages I have solemnised according to the rules and ceremonies of the Church to which I belong and by licens obtained from the Clerk of the County Court

WILLIAM MCGUIRE L. P.

I do certify that I solemnized the rite of matrimoney between the following persons Tazewell County Virginia Syms Thompson & Nancy Witten December 19th 1826

Charles French & Rebecca Carter December 8th 1826  
ANCIL RICHARDSON Local Deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church

This to Certify that I Joined Jonathan Whitt and Polly Eearnhart together after the order of our Church June 28th 1824

This is to certify that I Joined Milburn Whit and Haley Hankins together after the order of our Church. Jany 30th 1824

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

This is to certify that I Joined Jesse Baunnon and Polly Webb after the Order of our Church June 30th 1824

JONATHAN QUICKSALL

This is to certify I Joined Richard Whitt and Ellin Miller together as man and wife after the Order of our Church after publishing the bans three times in two weeks at three Different places  
December 5th 1824 JONATHAN QUICKSALL

Sir from a license obtained from your office to celebrate the rites of marriage between William Flemmer and Nancy prestice celebrated by me on the 8th october 1826 Given under my hand 4th August 1827 JOSHUA BRUCE

These are to certify that on the 10th day of June 1827 Hiram Pennington & Nancy Lusk was Joined in the holy matrimoney by virtue of License from the County Clerk of Tazewell celebrated by NEHEMIAH BONHAM

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joined Peter Naler & Margaret Brooks on the 10th day of May 1827

I joined James Wilson Margaret Gillespie on the 11th day of September 1827

I joined Rees Bowen and Lusinda Blankenship on the 25th day of Sept 1827

I joined Colenius MGuire and Theressa Gose on the 1st day of November 1827

I joined Joshua Corell and Jane Wynn on the 13th day of December 1827

Executed and Returned by David Young on the 21 J. 1828  
Tazewell County to wit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year

I joined John Thompson & Lydia Ward on the 29th day of December 1825

I joined George Stpheson an Jemima Jent on the 16th day of July 1826

I joined William Williams and Margaret Gillespie on the 28th day of Sept 1826

I joined George Asberry and Nancy Brooks on the 10th day of April 1826

I joined Charles Higginbotham and Rebecca Ballard on the 26th day of Decr 1826



I joined Tyre D. Thompson and Nancy Williams on the 25th day of November 1826

I joined Robert McMullen & Nancy Sayers on the 27th day of April 1826

I joined John Allen and Esther Neel on the 14th day of September 1826

I Joined Skillen McGuire and Mary Drake on the 4th day of January 1826

I Joined Richard Belshe and Peggy Goodwin on the 2d day of February 1826

I Joined Robert Sayers and Martha McMillen on the 11th day of February 1827

I Joined James Rutledge and Nancy Thompson on the 1st day of February 1827

I Joined George Grubb and Jane Ward on the 1st day of March 1827

I joined Smith Ward and Polly Belsher on the 21st day of March 1827

These are all executed by me DAVID YOUNG

A List of Marriages Celebrated by John Peery in the year 1827

Daniel Burress & Rebecca Peery on the 11th day of January 1827

William Tabor and Elizabeth Peery on the 2nd day of August 1827

Isaac Lambert & Rebecca Suter 20th day of Sepr 1827

On the 6th day of November 1827 Larkin Atkins and Legcy Atkins

Hardy Fortner and Polly Carter was Joined together on the 1st day of January 1828

George Kidd and Evalina Dills Suten on the 12th day of Febuary 1828

Squire Hager and Elizabeth Jones on the 28th day of February 1828 JOHN PEERY

On the 18th January 1827 Joined together John Whitmon & Mayanna Peery

On the 14th June Abram Baugh and Delany Tomlinson

On the 7th June John Lewis & Polly Henneger  
December 22nd 1827 JAMES CHARLES

Published according to Law and Joined together on the 27th  
May Nelson Green & Elizabeth Hanshea

On the 15th July James Green and Lucinda Sprinkle Dec. 22nd  
1827 JAMES CHARLES

I do certify that I celebrated the bans of matrimony between  
John Thompson and Mary A. George on the 5th of June 1827  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I do certify that I celebrated the bans of matrimony between  
Philip Vincill and Polly Meadows on the 13th July 1828  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I do certify that I celebrated the bans of matrimony between  
William Harrisson and Shorne Whitt on the 11th September 1827  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I do certify that I united William Beavers and Nancy Harrisson  
in the holy estate of matrimony on the 23th day of October 1828  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

December 22nd 1827

I do certify that the following are the names of all the persons  
that I have solemnized the rite of matrimony between in this year

1 James Srader & Mary Day the 1st day of February 1827

2 Baldwin L. Sisson & Sarah Ann Eliza Parris the 22nd March  
1827

3 Thomas Harvey Mitchell & Larrissa Brown the 12th April  
1827

4 Jesse Taber & Susanna Turner on the 24 of October 1827

5 Daniel Fletcher & Ann Coleman on the 13th December 1827

Given under my hand

ANCIL RICHARDSON Local Deacon of the Methodist Episcopal  
Church

To the Clerk of the County of Tazewell County

I do certify that I did celebrate the rites of matrimony between  
Thomas Steel and Jernacy Remine on the 30th of October 1828 By  
license obtained from the Clerk office at said County

WILLIAM MCGUIRE L P

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I Certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony between  
Thomas Davas and Mary Leard november the 26th 1827 according  
to the rites and seremonies of the Church to which I belong

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony between Elijah Ratlef and Mary Burchet January the 31st 1828 according to the rules of the Church to which I belong

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I certyfy that I celebrated the rites of matrimony between Shad-rach Ratlef and Elizabeth Matenee March the 6th 1828 according to the rules of the church to which I belong.

The above marriges was sollemnized by licens from the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

By me WILLIAM MCGUIRE Ordained Precher

This certify that the marriage contract has been legally solem-nised between the following persons to wit

Thomas Crabtree and Susannah Mitchell in Sept 1826

James G. Guthrie and Elizabeth Deskins in Sept 1827

James Q. Kendrick and Elizabeth Dills in July 1827

George W. Messick and Lydia Kendrick in Sept 1827

Elijah Sprinkle and Patsy Stobough in April 1828

Jesse Dillion and Cintha Perdue in Feby 1827

ISAAC QUINN

A Return of marriages to the Clerk of Tazewell County

James Jackson & Any Taber Feby 19th 1824

Josiah Smyth & Elizabeth Fletcher June 24th 1824

Isaac Bell & Nancy Sanders Sept 21st 1824

Robit Tomblin & Elizabeth Waldern July 8th 1825

Francis Taber & Mary Sanders Octo 20th 1825

Henry Bailey & Polley Bailey Nov. 8th 1825

Archibald Bruster & Elizabeth Lockhart Jany 5th 1826

Reuben Garratson & Omy Bailey Jany 10th 1826

Christian Peters & Polly F Bailey July 6th 1826

Isom Belsher & Rebeckah Bailey Octo 20th 1826

Isaac Holbrook & Malvina Williams Octo 26th 1826

John Bailey & Jane Rinehart Nov 22nd 1827

Thomas ODaniel & Nancy Martin March 13th 1828

Samuel Lambert & Rebeckah Lambert Apl 16th 1829

Elkenah Wolf & Frances Becklehimer Apl 23th 1829

Richard Taber & Mildred Shrader Augst 27th 1829

Ezekiel French & Charerie Carter Sep 3 1829



William Whitley & Polley B. Moore Nov 12th 1829

Alexander Tomblinson & Polley Workman Nov 16th 1829

I do hereby certify that I have solemnized the above marriages according to law Certified under my hand this 2nd day of December 1829  
WILLIAM SHANNON

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do Certify that the following List Contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the present year

I Joined John H. Gose and Rachel Higginbotham on the 17th day of April 1828

I Joined William Nutter and Jane Miller on the 8 day of October 1828

I Joined Harvey Ward and Lina Payne on the 14th day of August 1828

I Joined Christopher Gose and Polley H. Boland on the 14th day of August 1828

I Joined Emanuel Lockhart and Elizabeth Corel on the first day of Jany 1829

I Joined Gilbert R. Rogers and Senia Doak on the 5 day of January 1829

These are all Executed by me  
DAVID YOUNG

I do hereby Certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County and State of Virginia Gent. That on the 30th Day of March 1828 David Bayley and Elizabeth Lusk was Joined together By publication of Bands in the Holey Estate of Matrimoney by me

JOHN PERRY

I do also Certify to said Clerk of sd. County that on the 8th Day of July 1828 John Simpson and Caty Gross was Joined together by Publication of Bands in the holey estate of matrimoney by me  
JOHN PERRY

I Do hereby Certify to sd. Clerk of Sd. County that on the 5th Day of August 1828 Obadiah Workman and Rebeccah Lambert was Joined together by Publication of Bands In the Holey estate of Matrimoney By me  
JOHN PERRY

I Do hereby Certify to sd. Clerk of Sd. County that on the 7th day of August 1828 Chrisley Foglesong and Rhoda Jones was Joined together in the Holey Estate of Matrimoney by license from sd Clerk by me  
JOHN PERRY

I Do Certify to said Clerk of sd. County that on the 25th Day of December 1828 Andrew Stowers and Polley Terry was Joined together in the Holey Estate of Matrimoney by License from sd Clerk of sd County by me  
JOHN PERRY

I Do Certify to said Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 18th Day of January 1829 Tazewell Stump and Jemima Lambert was Joined together in the Holy Estate of Matrimoney by Publication of Bands by me  
JOHN PERRY

I Do hereby Certify to sd. Clerk of sd County that on the 5th Day of February 1829 Elisha Kidd and Peggy Peery was Joined together in the Holy Estate of Matrimony by License and all the above according to Law by me  
JOHN PERRY

I do certify that on the 3rd day of July 1828, I solemnized the rite of matrimony between Erastus Granger Harman and Sally Bane, given under my hand this 5th day of March 1829

ANCEL RICHARDSON

L D of the M E Church

I do hereby certify that I solemnized the rites of matrimony between George Cecill and Elizabeth Linsen taffy September 6th and

William T. Moore & Matilda Peery September 10th and

James P. Nelson & Mary Myers October 29th all in the year 1829 in the County of Tazewell State of Virginia Given under my hand & Seal this 11th day of Decembere 1829

JOYCE N T BURUM

I James Charles do hereby certify that the following is a correct list of marriages celebrated by me since my last return

Jacob Sinsentaffy and Nancy Hellemdollar on the 18 day of January 1828

William Patterson and Elizabeth Day on the 28th day of May 1828

Charles Taylor and Elizabeth Harrisson on the 8th day of May 1828

Alexander Suiter and Catherine Gose on the 13th day of November 1828

Aron Wilson & Sally Maxwell on the 6th day of September 1828

JAMES CHARLES

## Tazewell County Virginia

## To the Clerk of the Court

I certify that this is a true list of the marriages solemnized by me in the year 1829

2st. between John M Neal & Martha Harman

1st. between George B. Clark & Elizabeth Flummer

3rd Do David Whitley & Matilda Haven

4th Do William Shannon & Polly B. Moore

5th. Do John J. Barrum & Cosby Peery

Dec. 31st 1829

ANCEL RICHARDSON

Return to the Clerks office of Tazewell County for 1829

On the 5th of February Joined together Michael Stump & Anna Barnet

On the 21st July Joined together Thomas Gillespie and Maria Peery

On the 6th of August Joined together Samul Lane & Christen Harman

On the 24th of December Joined together Daniel Powman & Christener Owens

January 11th 1830

JAMES CHARLES

Mr. John Crockett C L K

December 23rd 1829

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following list of Marrages was celebrated by me William McGuire since the first day of January 1829 Viz,

february 5th Charles Matenlee and Abigail Brown

March 10th Flemmon Childers and Charity Matinlee

March the 19th Edward Bileter and Ann brown

April the 9th Squire Wingo and Mary Shipler

June the 11th Mathias Keen and Therssa Skins

June the 18th Thomas Christian and Mary Alizer

June 21st Moses Pruett and Jane Wingo

July 21st Joseph Vandike & Abigale Matenlee

July 23rd William Peery and Elizabeth Creswell

September the third Smith Jackson & Margret Matenlee and William Brown and Isabella Williams same date

November the 3 William Matenler and Nancy Vandike



## Tazewell County towit

I certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me David Young, within the preceding year

I Joined David Cawan and Rebeckah Bowan on the 19th day of May 1829

I Joined George D. Brown and May H. Kindle on the 5 day of March 1829

I Joined Thompson Daugherty and Lydia Dills on the 1 day of April 1829

I Joined Robert F. Rutledge and Lydia Thompson on the 8 day of October 1829

I Joined Thomas Crabtree and Peggy Chafin on the 1 day of October 1829

I Joined Thomas Powell and Anna Neel on the 19th day of October 1829

I Joined Jarrat Boland I and Nancy Vinsant on the 1 day of December 1829

I Joined Henry Vincell and Polly Wolford on the 14th day of January 1830

I Joined Thomas Higginbotham and Gracey Goodwin on the 17 day January 1830

These are Joined together by me DAVID YOUNG

## A List of Marridges

John Stinson and rachel Drake January 28th 1830

James Harson and Caty Benours May 25th 1829

Henry Wilson and Mahala Woosley August 19th 1829

John bishop polly Asberry January 1st 1830

Samuel Steel and ReBecca Ratliff March 25th 1830

Also published and Joined together

fielden poston and Nancy geneans May 10th 1829

James Kneel and Caty Kneel august 16th 1829

these are all the marridges cilebrated By Me in the *following yeare*  
to John Crockett Cl WILLIAM HENKLE

Tazewell County towit

To John Crockett Clk of said County I Do certify to John Crockett said Clerk that

Larkin K. Neel and Rinda Kidd was Joined together in Holy matrimony on the 24th Day of March 1829 by Publication of Banns  
by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to said Clerk that on the 14th of April 1829 Reuben Bailey and Polly Adkins was Joined in holy matrimony by license  
by me JOHN PERRY

I also Certify to said Clerk that on the 20th day of February 1830 Jeremiah Hager and Rhoda Stump was Joined together in in holy matrimony by me JOHN PERRY

I also Certify to said Clerk also that on the 25th Day of Feby 1830 Jeremiah Hager and Rhoda Stump was Joined together in Holy matrimony by license by me JOHN PERRY

I Certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 8th Day of April 1830 Henry Yost & Temperance Benham was joined in Holy matrimony by me JOHN PERRY

I hereby certify that celebrated the Rites of matrimony between Josh Earnheart and Mary Quicksall the 15th May 1828  
J. QUICKSALL

I hereby certify that I celebrated the Rites of matrimony between William Srader and Susanna Webb July 18th 1830  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I hereby Certify that I celebrated the Rites of matrimony between Wade Hoofman Ester *gene bened* May 27, 1830  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I hereby Certify that I celebrated the Rites of matrimony between William Dolton and Mariah Srader April 27th 1830  
JONATHAN QUICKSALL

I do certify that I solemnized the rites of Matrimoney between William Gillespie & Margret Peery the 25th day of March 1830 both of the County of Tazewell

Given under my hand August 18th 1830 JOHN I. BURUM  
Tazewell County Va.

I Certify that I have solemnized the rite of Matrimony between persons this year

1st David Mills & Nancy Bailey the 4th of Feby 1830

2d Daniel C. Harman & Margret Gillespie the 11th March 1830

3 James Harris & Jane Harmon 18th March 1830

4 Benjamin Lusk & Anna Compton the 2nd of Sept 1830

This the 4th day of November 1830

ANCIL RICHARDSON L. E.

In the M. E. Church

I do certify that I solemnized the rites of Matrimony Between Austin Patton & Marinda Thorn the 18th day of May 1830 in the County of Tazewell

Also between Thomas G. Witten & Rebecca T. Ward August 19th 1830 both of the County of Tazewell

Given under my hand this 25th day of August 1830

WILLIAM C. CUMMINGS

Mr. Crockett

You will incert the following Couples on your record of Marriages Celebrated by me

DUGALD MCINTYRE

Samuel Sayers & Elizabeth Gose

The above Couple was married on the 12 of January 1830  
December 24th 1830

Your &C

DUGALD MCINTYRE

I Certify to the Clerk of County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was Celebrated by me WM MCQUIRE since the first day of January 1830 Viz,

James Davis & Margret Shannon March 4th 1830

John Reed & Nancy Christian June 13th 1830

Given under my hand this 24th day of December 1830

WM. MCGUIRE

I do hereby certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that I have solemnized the following marriages according to law, towit.

James French & Peggy Day Dec. 31 1829

Reuben Bailey & Milley Belsher May 4th 1830

William Coleman & Patsey Rinehart Sept. 16th 1830

Ancel Richardson & Elizabeth Milam Sept 21st 1830

William Pane & Judy Belsher October 28th 1830

WILLIAM SHANNON

October 29th 1830

For 1830 Sir I return to your office January the 7th I Joined together Robert Wynne & Sally Fox

On the 1st day of April Joined together Wm. Cannen and Oliva Perry

January the 23d 1831

JAMES CHARLES

Mr. John Crockett C. L. K. Tazewell County to wit

I, David Young do Certify that the following List contains all marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year



I joined William Deskins and Rebecca Deskins in holey wedlock on the 27th day of January 1831

I joined Robert Smith and Jane Belsher together in holy wedlock on the 3d day of December 1830

I joined James Bostick and Margret Smith in holey wedlock on the 23d day of March 1830

I joined John Wilson and Polly Whitt in holey wedlock on the 26 day of August 1830

I joined William Brooks and Rebecah Corll in the holy wedlock on the 2nd day of February 1830

I joined Heny Ward & Juley Wilson in holey wedlock on the 28 day of March 1830

I Joined John Young and Jane Smith in the holey wedlock on the 23 day of September 1830

I joined Anderson Smith and Lisey Gillespie in the holey wedlock on the 23 September 1830

I Joined William Montgomery and Jane Smith in Holey wedlock on the 28th Jany 1830

I joined Richard Belshe and Nancy McMillen in Holey wedlock on the 8 day August 1830

I joined Daniel Lockhart and Alamanda Ginings in holey wedlock on the 3 day of March 1831

Executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

Tazewell County, towit,

I do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County, that on the 20th day of Feby 1830, Constance Adams and Nancy Flummer was joined together in the holy estate of Matrimony by license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I do certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 23rd day of September 1830 Joseph H. Totten and Polly Suitor was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I do certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 25th day of November 1830 Elisha Compton and Rebecca Shannon was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 3rd day of February 1831 Alexander Prewett and Martha Day was joined

together in the holy Estate of Matrimony by licence from under  
your hand by me JOHN PERRY

I do certify to said Clerk of said county that on the 10th day of  
February 1831 Randle Holebrook and Polly H. Waggoner was  
joined together in the holy Estate of Matrimony by a licence from  
under your hand by me JOHN PERRY

I do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on  
the 2nd day of June 1831 Barkley Stump and Polly Yose was  
joined together in the holy Estate of Matrimony by publication of  
Banns by me JOHN PERRY

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that  
the following marriages was celebrated by me William McGuyer  
since the first of January 1831 given under my hand this sixteenth  
day of December 1831 viz,

Daniel Christian and Hannah Harrison April the 23

Reuben S. Fudge and Nancy Harman June the first

Jacob White and Latisha Prewett August the 18

John McGuyer and Jennsy Shrader September 28

I James Charles do hereby certify that the following is a true  
list of the marriages celebrated by me for the year 1831 and also  
two that I celebrated in 1830, which was mislaid and not returned,  
viz.

Robert Wynne and Sally Fox January 7th 1830

Wm. G.W. Carrane and Olivia Peery April 1st 1830

Joseph Barnett & Barbara Hedrick June 15th 1831

James G. Hatch & Christenor Peery 15th Feby. 1831

Harman Wynn & Hanah Thompson 6th Feby 1831

George Owry & Catherina Myars 23rd June 1831

Jacob Burton and Catherine Stump 25th August 1831

William Snider & Barbara Hanchos 29th Dec. 1831

I also celebrated the following marriage in 1832

Preston Edmonds to Rejina Jones Jany 5th 1832

JAMES CHARLES

A return of Marriages Executed by William Shannon to the  
Clerk of Tazewell

Joel Davis and Polly Mullins Feby. 17, 1831

Henry Sluss and Betsey Coleman May 22, 1831

Veincon Carter and Sarah Havens June 20, 1831

Joseph A. Moore & Martha P. Moore Augt 30, 1831

Jesse Kindle & Jane Brown Sept. 1st 1831  
 Masten Dillion and Margaret Neely Sept 19, 1831  
 Edley Maxwell and Sally Bailey Oct 6th 1831  
 Harden Nuckels & Edy Nuckels Oct 15, 1831  
 James M. Peery & Nancy Bane Oct 20th 1831  
 Henry Thomas & Eleanor Jane Smith Jany. 10 1831  
 Tazewell County viz,

I Do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 10th day of February 1831 Randle Holebrook and Polly H. Waggoner was joined together in the Holy Estate of matrimony according to the rites and ceremonies of the church to which I belong by licence from under your hand by me JOHN PERRY

I Do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 3rd day of Februry 1831 Alexander Prewett and Martha Day was joined together in the Holy Estate of Matrimony according to the rules and ceremonies of the Church to which I belong by licence under your hand by me JOHN PERRY

I Do hereby Certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 13th day of September 1831 William Stump and Polly Hager was joined together in the Holy Estate of matrimony according to the rules and ceremonies of the Church to which I belong by Publication of Baans by me JOHN PERRY

I Do Certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 18th day of October 1831 Jeremiah Lambert Junior and Eleanor Waggoner was joined together in the Holy Estate of Matrimony according to the Rules and ceremonies of the Church to which I belong by license from under your hand by me JOHN PERRY

I Do Certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 25th day of December 1831, Solomon Lambert and Betsey Carter was joined together in the Holy Estate of matrimony according to the rules and ceremonies of the Church to which I belong by licence from under James C. Spotts D. C. hand by me JOHN PERRY

I John J. Buren Decon in the Methodist E. Church do hereby certify that I solemnized the rites of matrimony between the following persons (viz)

William T. Moore & Matilda Peery 10th Sept. 1829  
 George Cecil & Elizabeth Sincentauffy 6th Sept. 1829



James P. Nelson & Mary Myers 29 Oct 1829

Given under my hand this Decm 25 1829

JOHN J. BUREN

A return to the Clerks Office of Tazewell County for 1832

Joined together William M. Maxwell & Elizabeth Taffer on the  
17th day of May

July 19th Joined together Jacob Brown & Jane Helmandollar

August 28th Joined together Howard Havins & Sally Carter

Written January 16th 1833

JAMES CHARLES

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do certify that the following list containing all  
the marriages celebrated by me with the preceeding year

I joined Daniel Horton and Susanah H. Kindle together in  
Holy wedlock on the 23d June 1831.

I joined William E. Higginbotham and Louisa Ward in Holy  
wedlock on the 8th day September 1831

I joined Garland Hurt and Rebecca Dailey in Holy wedlock on  
the 1st day of November 1831

I joined William A. Young and Martha Young in Holy Wed-  
lock on the 23th day of December 1831

I joined James McNeil and Margaret Vincel in Holy wedlock  
on the 17th day of July 1832

I joined Peter E. Wynn and Mary Correll in Holy wedlock  
on the 25th day of May 1832.

I joined William Young and Polly Whitt in Holy wedlock on  
the 19th day of June 1832

I joined William Young and Nancy W. Molloy in Holy Wedlock  
on the 27th Sept 1832

I Joined together James Buchannon & Nancy Buchannon in  
Holy Wedlock on the 27th day of September 1832

I joined Jared W. Bolen and Fanny Young in Holy wedlock on  
the 23rd day of August 1832.

These executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

1832

I also joined James Neil and Delila Kirk in Holy wedlock on  
the 17th day of January 1833

DAVID YOUNG

A List of marriages. I do hereby certify on the 22nd Novm. 1831 I joined Jefferson Deskins and Polly Gent together in matrimony

Timothy Whitt and Nancy Hinkle January 19 1832

Marcus A. P. Whitt and Nancy Kendrick March 8th 1832

William Brewster and Rebecca Dolton January 14th 1832

William Stephenston and Elizabeth Jones February 14 1832

John Prewet & Peggy Cecil June 7, 1832

WILLIAM HENKLE

A return of marriages to the Clerk of Tazewell County executed by William Shannon:

Lewis Belsher & Rebecca Dillion February 9 1832.

William R. Bane & Nancy Havens April 12th 1832

Micajah Bailey and Mahaley Blankenship 7th 1832

Certified under my hand this 11th day of June 1832

WILLIAM SHANNON

I do hereby certify that the following persons have been joined together into the holy state of matrimony according to law, to wit,

On the 11th day of March 1830, Andrew Baldwin with Katherine Fox both of Tazewell County Va.

On the 28th day of Oct. 1830, John Sprecker with Elizabeth Rudy, both of Tazewell County Va.

Given from my hand Feb 12th 1831 JACOB SHERER,

Minister of the Gospel

On the 24th of Feb 1831, Dav. Rudy with Barbara Sprecker both of Tazewell County Va.

JACOB SHERER

Minister of the Gospel

A return of marriages to the Clerk of Tazewell executed by William Shannon Sen.

Micajah Bailey & Mahala Blankenship June 7th 1832

Henry W. Dills & Julia Ann Davidson June 26, 1832

Wesley Fields & Rebecca Billips July 3rd 1832

Skidmore Pauley & Elizabeth Stowers Aug. 16th 1832

James H. Moore & Jane S. Moore Sept 11th 1832

Squire M. Compton & Hannah Coleman Sept 25th 1832

James Matheny & Nancy Havens Nov. 1st 1832

WILLIAM SHANNON Sen.

Dec. 9th 1832

I doo certify to the Clerk of the County Corte of Tazewell that the following marriages was selebrated by me William McGuire sesce the first of January 1832. Given under my hand this 24th day of December 1832 Viz:

Elijah McGuire & Elizabeth Claypool January the 5 1832

James McCrery & Mary Cothan February the 3 1832

Shaderick Steel & Christener Deskins Sept 2nd 1832

John McGuire & Rebecca Cecil December 25

A list of Marriages

William Lester & Ruth Bishop Sept 6, 1832

Jonathan Whitt & Polly Harnan the 5 day of October 1832

Thomas Lester & Margaret Drake December the 24 1832

Hezekiah Woosley & Margaret Husk June the 25, 1833

Richard Ratcliff & Lydia Ratliff July the 12th 1833

WILLIAM HINKEL

To the Clerk of the County Coart of Tazwell, I do certify that the following Mariages was celibrated by me sence the first of January 1833. Viz:

Isaac Johnston & Patse Asbury January 29th

William Moore & Mary Brown March 5th

- John Vandike & Nancy Mitchel Apriel 11th

William Steele & Polly Brown November 11th

Archabald Pruet & Elizabeth Brewster December 3d

William Harper & Nancy Ratliff December 3d

Given under my hand this seventh day of January in the year of our Lord 1834

WILLIAM MCGUIRE L. P.

To the Clerk of Tazdwell County, I hereby return the following certificate of Marriage to wit on 25 Day of November 1833, I joined together in the holy state of matrimony Andrew Hartwell and Jane Blankenship by virtue of a license from the Clerk of Tazdwell County.

WILLIAM GARRETSON

I do hereby certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony between James ONeil & Louisa Totten May 9th according as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal this 23 day July 1833.

I do hereby certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony between James M. Whitley Hester An Totten 17th May according as the law directs. given under my hand 23 day of July 1833.



I do hereby certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony between Samuel Waldon & Sally Bailey July 4th according as the law directs. Given under my hand 23 day of July 1833.

WILLIAM SHANNON

March the 16th 1833. Tazewell County to wit:

I do hereby certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell County, that on the 28th of June 1832, Thomas Terry & Adaline Carter was joined together in the holy Estate of Matrimony by a license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to you that on the 21st day of August 1832 Joseph Compton & Nancy Shannon was joined together in the Holy Estate of Matrimony by a licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I do also certify to said Clerk that on the 25 day of September 1832 Owry Steel & Elizabeth Cook was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by a license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk that on the 30th day of October 1832 William Adams & Nancy Neel was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by a license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk that on the 25th day of November 1832 Jacob Stump & Widow Polly Stump was joined together in the holy Estate of Matrimony by a licence from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

Marriages celebrated by me in Tazewell Co Virginia

William Burke & Peggy Stobough September 2d 1831

John Ourey & Marinda Workman July 7th 1832

Elijah Havens & Peggy Conally February 26th 1833

The above marriages were celebrated by me

DUGALD MCINTYRE

July 24th 1833

Tazewell County to wit,

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year ending on the last of Dec 1833

I joined Elexander Scott & Margaret Young in Holy Wedlock on the 24th day of January 1833

I joined Giles Dougherty & Polly Doke in holy wedlock on the 22nd day of January 1833

I joined Samuel Drake & Lilly Higginbotham in Holy Wedlock on the 7th day of Febuary 1833

I joined Elijah Elett & Margaret Dills in holy wedlock on the 2 day of April 1833

I joined Henry Gillespie & Elender Gillespie in Holy Wedlock on the 23d day of Aprile 1833.

I joined Nathaniel Alsop & Lucy Young in Holy Wedlock on the 28 day of Aprile 1833

I joined Elisha McGuire & Nancy White in Holy wedlock on the 3 day of September 1833

I joined Moses Higginbotham & Elender B. Smith in Holy Wedlock on the 15 day of October 1833

I joined Smith Deskins & Polly Deskins in Holy Wedlock on the 31 day of October 1833

I joined Miles Ginnings & Lincy Kneel in holy wedlock on the 5 day of November 1833

I joined Thomas Gillespie & Mary Rader in Holy Wedlock on the 24th of December 1833

These are executed and returned by me      DAVID YOUNG  
Tazewell County towit,

I David Young do certify the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me during the preceding year

DAVID YOUNG

I joined William Smith & Elizabeth Lee in holy wedlock on the 2d day of January 1834.

I joined Solomon Stratton & Nancy McGuire in holy wedlock on the 14th day of February 1834

I joined Alexandria G. Thompson & Sally D. Allen in holy Widlock on the 25th day of February 1834

I joined Bird Lockhart & Charlotte Asbury in holy wedlock on the 30 day of March 1834

I joined Samuel W. Young & Nancy Young in Holy widlock on the 24 day of Aprile 1834

I joined James Malory & Jane Asbury in Holy wedlock on the 27 day of Aprile 1834

I joined Robert Belsher & Jane Higginbotham in holy wedlock on the 19 day of June 1834

I joined William Chiddie and Nancy Lowder in Holy wedlock on the 19 day of June 1834

I joined Richard Young & Mary E. Smith in holy wedlock on the 25 day of November 1834

I joined Charles Mitchel & Sally Barrett in holy wedlock on the 2 day of December 1834

These are celebrated within the preceeding year and returned by me on the 19 day of January 1835

DAVID YOUNG

A List of *Rights* celebrated in the year 1834

On the 28th day of January, William I Watts & Sarah Peery

On the 2d day of March John Carter & Dicey Hawes

On the 27 day of March Jacob Snider & *Laver* Conley

On the 23d December Council Walker & Nancy Bailey

On the 3d April Henry H. Gillespie & Nancy B. Harman

On the 22d day of May:

On the 14th January Henry Bartlett & Nancy Peery

On the 30th day of October, William Taber & Charity Runion

This 28th day of January and year above JAMES CHARLES

A List of Marriages

Low Brown to Mary Tabor, November the 14th 1833

John S. Moore & Margaret Whitley December 19 1833

Hugh T. Rineheart & Julina Godfrey November 21st 1833

Colby Holbrook & Nancy Milam December 19 1833

William Dills & Nancy Harman December 26 1833

James Day & Easter Prewatt Mar 4, 1834

Joshua S. Mooney & Peggy Bailey January 15 1834

Henry Belcher & Mary Ann Belcher January 28 1834

Andrew L. French & Rebecca Day May 15 1834

I do certify that I have celebrated the rights of matrimony between the above named persons of 1833 & 1834 Given from under my hand this 14th day of June 1834

WILLIAM SHANNON Sen

List of Marriages celebrated in the County of Tazewell by the subscriber

Rawley Blankenship & Leah Payne on the 21st July 1833

Elijah Blankenship & Betsy Blankenship on the 9 November 1833

George Drake & Peggy Potters on the 24th of March 1834

Joel Gibson & Rachel Diel on the 5th March 1834

Given under my hand this 12th June 1834 DAVID PAYNE



I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celebrated by me William McGuire since the first of Janury 1834. Given under my hand this 25th November 1834 Viz:

George Grifeths & Margaret Grifeth married February the 14th 1834

Samuel Steele & Charlotte Steel married Feb 17 1834

Christopher Q Crawford & Clarissa Higginbotham married Aprile the 3, 1834

John W. Steele & Mary Webb married September 4th 1834

James Bostick & Sally Gent married September the 18 1834

Aheart Simmerman and Elizabeth Hatch married October the 23 1834

Jackson Johnson and Susannah Cordill married November 6 1834

Thomas Brooks & Polly McGuire Married November 20th 1834

George Prater & Sally Pruet married December 9 1834

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

#### A List of Marriages

John Baly Permilia Swarder May 1834

Robeurt Hankins & Nancy Beavers Sept 1834

James Luster & Jerusa Asbury Sept 1834

Enis Ratliff Anny McMeanes October 1834

John Stpenson & Sarh VanDike Febury 1835

John VanDike & Lena Whitt March 1835

James M. Whitt & Rebecca Day 1835

Henry H. Bolen & Elender G. Blankenship. they wear published and joined togeather in matrimony March 1835

I Do hereby certify that all the above namd persons are joind in matrimony

WILLIAM HINKLE

This is to certify that I have celebrated the rites of matrimony between Jesse Davis and Peggy S. Godfrey according to Law on the 8th day of January last. Given under my hand this 30th day of September 1835

HUGH JOHNSTON

John Cline & Polly his wife wedded on the 20th Octo 1835

DAVID PAIN

December 19th 1835

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following mariages was cilibrated by me cence the first of January 1835 Viz.

Deskins Green & Rachel Grifitts married January the 13th 1835  
 Marke T. Lockhart & Nancy Deskins Married February the 25th

1835

Thomas Asberry and Mariah Brown married March the 24 1835  
 James Stephenson & Mary Oney married May the 21st 1835  
 Milton Lockheart & Rebecca Brewster married July the 9 1835  
 William Wilson & Rach Steel Married October the 29th 1835  
 Quinton Persell and Sarah Prater married November the 17th

1835

Given under my hand this nineteenth day of December 1835

WILLIAM MCGUIRE L P

Tazewell Va

Sir, I return to your office for the year 1835 by your athority this  
 26th day of January as followeth,

On the 6th day of January Joined together Robert Harman &  
 Rhoda Harman

On the 13th Jan. Rees T. Bowen & Maria Louisa Peery

June the 4 day James Bailey & Martha Blankenship

On the 15th July Edley C Maxwell & Mary Sincen Taffy

August 18th John Cecil & Peggy Harman

September the 3rd I Nelson & Nancy Chapel

October the 29th George W Thompson & Polly Buchanon

On the 3d November Henry Hedrick & Nancy Whitley

Celebrated by me JAMES CHARLES

Capt. John Crockett

Jeffersonville

I do hereby certify to the Clerk of Tazewell that I have joined  
 the following persons in the State of Matrimony according to law,  
 to wit

Henry Swader & Edy Day Aug 6th 1835

John Bailey & Polly Bailey Apl 14th 1835

Harden Nuckles & Elizabeth K. Runyon Apl 16th 1835

Elijah Nuckles & Polly Carter Apl 21st 1835

John Matheny & Mary Havens Sept 21st 1835

James Dills & Polly Davidson Octo 22, 1835

Certified under my hand this 30th of Octo 1835

WILLIAM SHANNON

Mr. Shannon has also returned to this Office the license Authorising the marriage of Henry Louthen & Cosby T. Brown with the following endorsement "Executed the 14 Jany"

Also he has returned to this Office the license authorising the the marriage of Ransom Kennedy & Lucinda Day with the following endorsement "Executed 15th Dec 1835"

The licence issued from this Office authorizing the marriage of John Louthen & Eliza Jane Meek has been returned here with the following certificate thereon written "Solemnized on the ninth of Sept 1834  
by JN T. WATT".

I do hereby certify that the following persons have been joined into the holy estate of Matrimony according to Law, to wit:

On the 10th of April 1834 Jacob Sprecker with Lucretia Ritter both *both* of Tazewell County Va

Given under my hand this 9 day of March 1836

JACOB SHERER

Minister of the Gospel

Tazewell County to wit:

I David Young, do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year:

I Joined John H Suthers and Mary Ann Forgerson together in holy wedlock on the 12 day January 1835

I Joined James Thompson and Levisa Harrisson in holy wedlock on the 15 day of February 1835

I Joined Abel Maloy and Hanah Asberry in holy wedlock on the 26 day of February 1835

I Joined James Lockhart and Elizabeth Jennings in holy wedlock on the 25th day of Aprile 1835

I joined Isaac Oney and Linney Boling in holy wedlock on the 8 day of August 1835

I joined Richard Brooks and Ellemsa Sipers in holy wedlock on the 2 day of September 1835

I joined William Mares and Sally Brooks in holy wedlock on the 26 day of September 1835

I joined James D. Thompson & Lydia Mitchell in holy wedlock on the 6 day of November 1835

I joined George Chapple and Rebecha Lockhart in holly wedlock on the 14 day of December 1835

Executed by me DAVID YOUNG on the 25 dy of January 1836.



## Tazewell County Va A list of Marriages

I do hereby certify that I joined in matrimony  
 Abel Hankins and Polly Henkel—December—1835  
 Michal Hickman and Pelina Pruett—October—1836  
 William Anderson & Arminda Jones—November—1836  
 Henry Whitt & Elenda Davis—December—1836

WILLIAM HENKEL

I Hereby certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony  
 between Charle Caffee & Nancy Bailey in Tazewell County Va on  
 the 24 day of March 1836.

Given under my hand this 24 day of March 1836

MOSES E. KERR M. of G.

Edmond Harrisson and Cleary Payne were married on the 24  
 day of Aprile 1836

Ellie Bally and Hannah Lurster were married on the 21 of  
 Aprile 1836

Alexander Gipson and Mily Carver were married on the 14 day  
 of Jenerary 1836

Natten Gipson and Polly Sinney were married on the 14 day of  
 Jennary

Henry Darrset and Silby Stacy was married on the 14 day of  
 Jenuary

DAVID PAYNE.

Marriages celebrated in Tazewell County by Dugald McIntyre

Joseph Pendleton & Mary Wynn August 15 1833

Jacob Romans & Eliza Snider September 25 1833

The above celebrated by me DUGALD MCINTYRE

April 19th 1836

## Tazewell County To wit November the 19th 1836.

I do certify to John Crockett Clerk of Tazewell Co That on the  
 29th day of April 1836 Harvy Totton of Smith County was married  
 to Sally Sutor of this county by a licence from your office by me

JOHN PERRY

I do certify also to said clerk of Tazewell County that on the  
 15th day of November 1836 Jonathan Pauley and Martha Lambert  
 was joined together in the holy Estate of Matrimony by licence from  
 your office by me

JOHN PERRY

This is to certify that the rites of Matrimony was celebrated  
 by me between Wm. G. Davidson & Elizabeth Allen on the 28th of  
 July 1836

A. PATTON

This is to certify that the rites of Matrimony was celebrated by me between James Thornton & Matilda Rinehart on the 8th day of September 1836

A. PATTON

Marriages celebrated by the Subscriber

Thomas Christian and Anna Altizer wer joined in matrimony by me Oct 23d 1836.

Richard Deal & Susan Barns were joined in matrimony by me on the same day

DAVID PAYNE

December 16th 1836 I do certify to the Clerk of the county court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celibrated by me sense the 28th of december in the year 1835 Viz:

Milton Vandyke and Judgeza Muncy married December 31 1835

William McGuire and Rachel Wingo married January 4th 1836

Patton Harper and Nancy Harkrider maried December 15th 1836.

Given under my hand this seventeenth of December in the year 1836

WILLIAM MCGUIRE L. P.

A list of marriages celebrated by the subscriber during the year 1836

Nov. 13 William G. Williams & Elizabeth Rader

Dec. 8 Bartley Belcher and Sally Taber

Dec. 17 Moses Belcher and Nancy Taber

JAMES CHARLES

This is to certify that the rites of matrimony were lawfully celibrated by me between the following persons,

Stephen Thompson & Minerva Thompson July 21 1836

George W. G. Browne & Sarah Ann Gillespie October 24 1836

DAVID YOUNG

December 28 1836

A return to the Clerks office of Jeffersonville for the year 1837 as followeth,

Joind together April 20 John Litts and Clarissa T. Watts

July 18 Joind together Mastin Bailey & Rebecca Harman

August the 8 Joind together James S. Vail & Margaret Harrison

October the 14 joind together John Spratt & Ann C. Buchanan

January 6 Joind together William Clay & Malvina Harman

To the Clerk of Tazewell County January 30 1837

JAMES CHARLES

I do hereby certify to the clerk of Tazewell County that I have joined the following persons in the state of matrimony, to wit:

Henry Swrader & Edy Day Aug 6th 1835

Vertin Holbrook & Phebe Taylor Feby 18 1836

Felex Williams & Nancy Bailey March 1 1836

Randal Collins & Violet Fortner April 14 1836

John H. Hoge & Elizabeth Moore Dec 1 1836

James Taber Jr. & Sally Brown Jany 12 1837

Lewis Milam & Elizabeth Gates Apl 13 1837

Henry Puckett & Amy Taber April 20 1837

Certified under my hand this 26 of May 1837

WILLIAM SHANNON

I do hereby certify that I have celebrated the rites of matrimony on the fourth of October 1836 between Alexander Harrison & Letitia S. Taylor.

Given under my hand April 25 1837 HUGH JOHNSTON

I do hereby certify that I have celebrated the rites of matrimony on the first day of June 1836 between John Hagey and Susanah Hedric

Given under my hand April 25 1837 HUGH JOHNSTON

I certify that I have celebrated the rites of matrimony between the following persons

James Harper and Mary Stephenson on the 21 day of May 1837

Uriah Estess and Lucinda Estess on the 30 day of April 1837

DAVID PAYNE

May 24 1837

This is to certify that I Jacob McDaniel a regular licensed and ordained minister in the Methodist E. P. Church, have on this the 18th day of August 1837 celebrated the rites of matrimony between Raleigh Gross and Wilmarth Terry, according to the rights and ceremonies of our church

J. McDANIEL

To the Clerk of the Court for Tazewell Co Va.

A list of marriages. I do hereby certify that on the 7 of February 1837 I joined in Matrimony William Hankins and Polly Michell

Also Thomas H. Asbury and Charlotte Hankins in February the 22nd 1837

Also Allen Dalton and Nancy Bruster May the second 1837

Also David Bishop and Sarah Johnston March the 16 1837



Also George Harson and Lucy Hankins May the 7 1837

Also Silas Chappell and Nancy Lockhart May the 7 1836

Also John Mars and Sally Prewett June 20 1837

Given under my hand

WILLIAM HENKEL

These are to certify to the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell County that agreeable to the license presented me I have solemnized the rites of matrimony between John Y. Cresswell and Cinthy Whitt on the 15 day of Oct 1837

JOHN WALLIS JR

I certify that I celebrated on the 10 Oct 183 the rites of matrimony between Charles H. Greever and Eliza Harrison

HUGH JOHNSON

To the Clerk of Tazewell

This is to certify that the rites of matrimony ware celebrated by me between the following persons within the year 1837

Howard Bane & Martha Haven January 12 1837

Thos. S. King & Matilda P. Davidson April 11 1837

Silas Eagle & Martha Sincentafee March 28 1837

John M. Witten & Catherine Peery Sept 19 1837

ARNOLD PATTON

Tazewell County to wit. I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year

I Joined James Chappell & Margaret Hall in holy wedlock on the 10 January 1837

I joined Jacob Asbury & Polly E. Higginbotham in holy wedlock on the 18th April 1837

I joined Jacob Farrar & Sally Sipirs in holy wedlock on the 1 day of May 1837

I joined Jordan E. Boland & Margaret Higginbotham in holy wedlock on the 19 June 1837

I joined James Asbury & Jane G. Bolland in holy wedlock on the 17 Oct 1837

I joined Dabney C. Maloy & Sintha Young in holy wedlock on the 30 November 1837

I joined Adam Ritter & Nancy T. Ward in holy wedlock on the 16 November 1837

I joined Andrew P. Gipson & Rebeckah B. Ward in holy wedlock on the 14 December 1837

D. YOUNG

December 25 1837

A List of Marriages for the year 1837 viz,

Edmond Steel and Phebe McMeans married February the 9 1837

Reuben Ratliff and Sarah Johnson married March the 28 1837

David Goodwin and Louisa M. Cecil married June the 25 1837

John Christian and Katy Alltizer married July 27 1837

Hugh a Compton and Elizabeth Wingo married September the 29 1837

Charles Biliter and Mary Green married October the 5 1837

James Oney and Rhoda Day married December the 17 1837

I do certify to the clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the above marriages was celebrated by me sence the first of January 1837 Given under my hand this 26 day of December 1837

WILLIAM MCGUIRE L. P.

Georden Bayley and Bresey Lester was joind together in the holy state of matrimoney on the 5 day of Dec 1837

Also Hezekiah Blankenship & Elizabeth Stasy on the 19th day of Dec. 1837

Also Abram Steward & Easter tainey on the 3d day of January 1838 by me

DAVID PAYNE

I do hereby certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell, that I have joind the following persons together in the estate of matrimony according to law viz:

Andrew Stowers and Elizabeth Trillaman Nov 30 1837

Andrew Payne & Elizabeth Billips Dec 6 1837

John D. Havens & Peggy Ann Harman Dec. 14 1837

John Louthian and Lydia Annis Brown Jany 4 1838

William Belcher and Polly Milam Jany 25 1838

Given under my hand this 26 day of January 1838

WILLIAM SHANNON

This is to certify that the rites of matrimony were celebrated by me between William P. Wynn & Margaret H. Bane on the 7th of March 1838

Also between David Staley & Jane W. Maxwell on the 8th of March 1838

A. PATTON

A list of marriages. I do hereby certify that I joined in the holy estate of matrimony Muncy Deskins and Rachel Ratliff the first day of August 1837 and William Pruett and Nancy Marrs December the 26 day 1837

also Robert Hankins and Susan Hankins March 27 1838

WILLIAM HENKEL

Tazewell County towit: I do hereby certify to the Clerk of said County that on the 26 day of December 1837

Thomas Dunn Folio and Anne Burton boathe of Tazewell County were joind together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

Also William Clerk and Nancy Cook were joined together in the holy estate of matrimony on the 19th day of April 1838 by me

JOHN PERRY

This is to certify that on the 16th of this instant I married Polly Fletcher and Addison Robinett by publication

Given under my hand the 16th of September 1838

DAVID PAIN

Presby Blankenship and Rutha Jones married October the 4 1838 and

also James White and Nelly Barnet the 7th of the same

DAVID PAYNE

I do hereby certify to the clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celebrated by me sense the first of January 1838 viz:

Stephen Fuller and Elnor Daly married the 4 January

Samuel M. Higginbotham and Dorind C. Cecil married the 9th of January

Davidson Adkins and Delile Tury married the 11th of January

Miles Claypole and Sarah Gose married the 1st of March

William S. Cecil and Nancy S. Anderson married the 8th of March

Hiram Stephenson and Lucinda Arenheart married the 29th of April

Henery Curle and Nancy Matenle married the 2d of August

Asa Helton and Mary Vance married the 8 of November

Campbell Hurst and Ann Eliza Stephenson married the 2 of December

All within the present year of 1838. Given under my hand this 22d day of December 1838

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

Tazewell County to wit, I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceding year

I joined Edward Wilson & Sally Goodwin in holy wedlock on the 28th day of December 1837



I joined Wesley Gibson and Catherine T. Curen in holy wedlock on the 4 of January 1838

I joined Thomas Gibson & Rachel Ward in holy wedlock on the 4th day January 1838

I joined George T. Thompson and Margaret Thompson in holy wedlock the 12 July 1838

I joined John Crockeett (Jnr) and Margaret Gillespie in holy wedlock on the 6th day of June 1838

I joined William Griffites & Cornelia Mitchell in holy wedlock on the 17th day August 1838

I joined Samuel T. Gipson & Margaret Wood in holy wedlock on the 28th day September 1833

I joined Harviley Cook & Usale Reed in holy wedlock on the 18 day October 1838

I joined Elihu Lester & Malinda Asbury in holy wedlock on the 4th day of November 1838

These are executed by me  
December 31 1838

DAVID YOUNG

The 6 day of January 1839 John A Ruhar and Jenny Swader was married

DAVID PAYNE

This is to certify that pursuant to a license issued in the Clerks office for Tazewell May 15th 1838 there was marriage solemnized between D. T Fox and Martha Crabtree on the 24 of May

Given under my hand this 12 day of January 1839

JOHN FORESTER

Tazewell County to wit: Return to the Clerks Office in Jeffersonville of the matrimonial rites celebrated in the year 1838 as followeth.

On the 18th day of Janury Sanders Steward and Nancy B. Harman

On the 5th day of February William Thompson & Marinda Jane Harman

27th February William G. White & Matilda Harman

12th day of December Addison A. Spotts and Harriet T. Peery

20th December John Henshaw & Elecy Crow

10th day of March William A. Peery & Eleanor T Witten

29th day of March James H. Buchanan & Nancy Doak

12th day of April David B. Gruan & Nancy Thompson

10th day of May Zachariah S. Witten & Mary T. Tiffany

14th day of June Amos Totton & Rebecca Wright

24th July Rufus K. Crockett & Jane Peery

23d day of August William I Watts & Ellen Peery

1st day of November John C. Bandy & Elizabeth H. Peery

By me JAMES CHARLES Local Elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church 15th January 1839

MR. GEORGE W. G. BROWNE

A list of Marriages Tazewell County Va.

I do hereby certify that on the 15th day of August 1838 I joined together in the holy estate of matrimony

Joseph H. Dosson and Susan Barnett

Also Calvin Low and Letitia Pruett October the 7th 1838

Also Charles Philips and Jane Patten 15 day of January 1839  
and

William Elswick and Lucinda Deskins the 8 day of May 1839

WILLIAM HENKEL

I certify that I have joined together in the holy state of matrimony according to the form and ceremony of the Methodist Episcopal Church

Joshua Deal and Ruth Blankenship on the 14 day of February  
and

Thomas Birk and Polly Tailer on the 18th day of June

Thomas Luster and Polly Richards on the 15 day of August by publication in the County of Tazewell in the year A. D. 1839

JOHN BOGLE

Methodist preacher

I certify to the Clerk of Tazewell that on the 30th May 1839 I joined in the holy state of matrimony Isaac Bailey and Martha Belcher

WILLIAM SHANNON

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court I do hereby certify that I joined Henry Gipson and Sinthy Deal in the banns of matrimony on the 26th day of August 1838 by publication

I also joined Jesse Wit and Polly Jones in the banns of matrimony on the 20th day of June 1839 by publication

JOSEPH LOONY

I hereby certify that I have joined together in the holy estate of matrimony according to the forms and customs of the Methodist

E. Church in Tazewell Co. Va. in the year 1839, the following persons Viz:

Waddy T. Curren & Martha Wynn Feby 5

Ira Tiller & Nancy Carter Sept. 4

Oct 23d 1839

J. I. WEAVER

Virga: Tazewell County Vigt. I do hereby certify to the Clerk of the County of Tazewell that I have joined the following persons in the estate of matrimony to wit

Beza Scott & Marinda Carter Feby 5 1839

Cornelius Compton & Jane Patterson Feby 10 1839

John R. McClaa & Oliva Marrs March 10 1839

Henry Belsher & Rachel Nely Dec. 6 1838

March 25 1839

WILLIAM SHANNON SEN

I do certify to the Clerk of County Court of Tazewell, that I have joined together in the holy state of matrimony according to the forms and cerimones of the Methodist Episcopal Church by licens issued from the Clerk and by publication the following mariages viz:

Edward Blankenship and Mahala Johnson married January the 1 1839

Meshark Steel and Nancy Wolford married January the 9th 1839.

William Alltizar and Loves Harmon married by publication January the 20 1839

Thomas W. Sayers and Margaret Muncy married January the 24 1839

John Deskins and Polly Luster married March 20 1839

Daniel Harman and Mary Jane Bishop married April the 10 1839

Washington Deskins and Olivia Whitt married June the 12 1839

James Deskins and Sally Maxwell married June the 13th 1839

Isaac Luster and Nancy Blankenship married July the 2d 1839

William Elswick and Mary Vincel married Sept the 27 1839

James Bostic and Sarah Luster married October the 24 1839

Aaron Quicksel and Elizabeth Prater married December the 18 1839

James Hankins and Elizabeth Quicksel Married December the 24th 1839

The above marriages was celibrated by me sence the first day of January 1839. Given under my hand this 29th day of December 1839

WILLIAM MCGUIRE



I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joined Jonathan Smith and Rebecca Young in holy wedlock on the 24 day of January 1839

I joined John Six and Jane Young in holy wedlock on the 15 day of January 1839

I joined James Higginbotham and Levisa Turley in holy wedlock on the 11th day of April 1839

I joined John Gillespie and Nancy Thomas in holy wedlock on the 27th day of May 1839

I joined Jarred Boling and Isabella Goodwin in the holy wedlock on the 27th day of June 1839

I joined John C. Harrison and Elizabeth I. Duff in holy wedlock on the 4th day of July 1839

I joined Robert Brooks and Sarah An Vincill in holy wedlock on the 12th day of September 1839

I joined Thomas Davis and Jane Marrs in holy wedlock on the 21st day of November 1839

Return of marriages December 31st 1839

These was executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

The license issued from this office dated Dec 4, 1839 authorizing the marriage of David Gose and Rebecca Jane Witten was returned here on the 11 of Jany 1840, with the following certificate written "Sillerated the 12th of this by me"

"WILLIAM SHANNON"

Sir I return a list of Marriages to your office in Jeffersonville for the year 1839 as followeth:

March 14th Alexander Ward & Martha Peery

April 2d Gordon McDonald & Recca Hall

May 1st Lewis E. McDonald & Sally B. Taylor

June 7th Peter Teel & Rebecca Compton

Aug. 29 Retsey N. Harris & Louisa Peery

October 11 John Odle & Polly Gates

November 4th Tilman Franklin & Jane Cummings

December 16 James Owens & Margaret Peery

February 22d Published according to law I joined together James M. Gillespie & Matilda Buenty both of this County by me

JAMES CHARLES

Local Elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church

March 30 1840

Mr. George W. G. Browne Clerk

I do hereby certify that the following persons have been joined into the holy state of matrimony according to law, to wit,

On the 2d day of April 1840 Rev John Grier to Margaret Peery both of Tazewell Co. Va

Given from under my hand, this 8 day of Feb 1840

JACOB SCHERER Minister of the Gospel

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court, I do hereby certify that I joined Benjamin Cox and Betsey Carter in the Banns of matrimony on the 18th day April 1840 by licens

JOSEPH LOONY

Mr. George W. G. Browne Sir Mister Benjamin Belcher and Susanna Lester was married on the 4th of June 1840 by me

Tazewell County to wit: I certify to Geo. W. G. Browne Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 13th day of October 1839 John Yost was married to Elizabeth Stump by license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said clerk of said County that on the 19th day of September 1839 James Hawry was married to Margaret Hictenridge by license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 20th day of February 1839 Hickman Stowers was married to Sally Burton in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

I also certify to said Clerk of said County that on the 8th day of October 1840 Isaac Holbrook was married to Ann Stump, according to the rules & ceremonies to which I belong of the Methodist Episcopal Church by license from under your hand by me

JOHN PERRY

These are to certify to the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell County that agreeable to the licens presented me I have solemnized the rites of matrimony between Stephen Compton and Ann Eliza Vencill on the 22d of Octo 1840

Given under my hand

JOHN WALLIS Jr

A list of marriages, I do hereby certify that on the 26th day of June 1839 I joined Joseph Harson and Patty Hankins in matrimony

Philip H. Vincel and Rebecca Pruett October the 27 1839

John Puckett and Mary Cassell August the 19 day 1839

Richard Ratliff and Mary McGlothlin October the 10 1839

Harrison I. Hueff and Elizabeth Phipps December the 25 1839

George Deskins and Catherine Deskins March the 2d day 1840

Luther Low and Lavisa Christian the 6th day of May 1840

Rees Davis and Nicy Henkel the 5th day of March 1840

William Grose and Nancy Landenhavn April 15 1840

WILLIAM HENKEL

November the 17th 1840

Mr. George W. G. Brown Sir I married Thomas Deel and Tilda  
Gipson on the 5 of November 1840

DAVID PAYNE

November 17 1840

Mr. George W. G. Brown Sir I married David Payne and Loui-  
sey Lambert on the 12 of November 1840

DAVID PAYNE

Tazewell County to wit. I David Young do certify that the follow-  
ing list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the pre-  
ceding year

I joined William B. Smith and Maria Gillespie in holy matri-  
mony on the 24 day of February 1840

I joined Tim Sprinkle and Elizabeth Young in holy matrimony  
on the 10th day of September 1840

I joined Charles C. Taylor and Ellen E. Bowen in holy matri-  
mony on the 22d of September 1840

I joined Henry Files and Elizabeth Lowder in holy matrimony  
on the 22d of July 1840

I joined Linsey Luster and Margret Gillespie in holy matrimony  
on the 24th December 1840

The rights of these are celebrated by me this 30 day of December  
1840

DAVID YOUNG

I return to the Clerks office of Jeffersonville of matrimonial rites  
celebrated in the year 1840 as followeth,

1st day of January James M. Crawford & Ellen Bandy

February the 3d Hiram Robinett & Ruth Odell

February the 14th Pleasant Franklin and Elizabeth Helmin-  
dollar

February 24th Hervey Wilson and Polly Hagy

February 30 Henry Harman and Nancy Harman

March the 5 Adam Hedrick and Elizabeth Whitley

June 2d James P. Whitman & Elizabeth P. Bean

29th July John Jones & Christena

April 16 Augustus Cole & Margaret P. Harman

December 24th John H. Suthers and Jane R. Vencil



October 27d Larkin Meadows and Jane Thompson  
 December the 4 Rees Crabtree & Jemima Spracher  
 Joined together by me JAMES CHARLES local Elder of the  
 Methodist Episcopal Church April 16th 1841  
 December 28th 1840

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell, I do certify that  
 the following marriages was celebrated by me sence the first of  
 January 1840 viz:

Harvey Claypool and Nancy Brown Married April the 9 1840  
 George W. Lockhart and Elizabeth Brown married April the 14  
 1840

Daniel Quicksel and Malinda Oney married June 18 1840  
 John M. Brown and Elenor Brown married September the 17  
 1840

Daniel W. Horton and Elenor Muncy married October the 4th  
 1840

Robert McGlothlin and Rebecca An Croel married October the  
 29th 1840

The above mriages was solemnized by me sence the first of  
 January 1840. Given under my hand this 28th day of December  
 1840

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

A list of marriages of 1840 and 1841

I do hereby certify that on the 16th day of July 1840 I joined  
 in the holy estate of matrimony

William White and Elizabeth Prewett

Berdine Deskins and Margaret Maxwell July 16 1840

Richard Gates and Lilly Altizer 6th of September 1840

John Prewett and Nancy Howell July 11 1840

Wilkinson Colins Margaret Jones Nov 12 1840

Moses Davis Catherine Griffitts Nov. 8 1840

James Francisco and Elizabeth Lindimoed Novèmber 22d 1840

Milton Hankins and Elizabeth Webb Nov. 22 1840

Adam Bedners and Rachel Whitt Jany 6 1841

James Stephenson Elener D. McGuire Jany 14 1841

ELDER WM. HENKEL

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court I certify that by license  
 from you I celebrated the rites of matrimony between Hamilton R.  
 Bogle and Sarah Ann Cecil on the 9th day of February 1841

WM. I C ROGERS

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court I do hereby certify that I joined Hiram Yates & Cintha Lester in the State of matrimony on the 17 day of December 1840

I also joined James Yates & Perlina Shortridge in the state of matrimony on the 11th day of February 1841

JOSEPH LOONY

Mr. George W. G. Brown, Sir

I married William Lester and Sally Blankenship on the 9th of May 1841

DAVID PAYNE

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell, I do certify that the following marriages was celebrated by me William McGuire viz:

John A. Brown and Nancy Lockhart married December the 30 1840

Joseph Rudd and Martha Rudd married January the 12, 1841

Joseph Blankenship and Eleanor Blankenship married February the 26 1841

John M. Crismond and Elizabeth Shannon married June the 1 1841

John Ratliff & Matilda Ratliff married August the 19 1841

James Compton and Amy Claypool married August the 19 1841

George Bishop & Elizabeth Rose married August 19 1841

Peter Ratliff and Mary Ann Young married September 2d 1841

Samuel Cecil & Nancy Curde married September 30 1841

James M. Rud and Sarah Rud married November 4 1841

I do certify that the within marriages was celebrated by me according to the forms and ceremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Given under my hand this 22nd of December 1841

WILLIAM MCGUIRE....

To Mr. George W. G. Browne

Tazewell County to wit: I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

D. YOUNG

I joined together Shadrach Comb and Elizabeth Bolland in holly wedlock the 2d day of April 1841

I joined together Henry W. Miller and Mary Ann Helms in holly wedlock on the 8th April 1841

I joined together David Turlay and Jane Bolland in holy wedlock on the 25 May 1841

I joined together Andrew Beavers and Helen Dawson in holy wedlock on the 29th August 1841

I joined together Rees B. Gillespie Jr and Emmerine V. Gillespie in holy wedlock on the 23rd of December 1841

These are joined together by me within the preceeding year

DAVID YOUNG

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell, that I have joined the following in the state of matrimony, to wit

Harrisson Taber & Nancy Runion Dec 3 1840

Lewis Belsher & Martha Runion Dec 3 1840

Solomon W. Day and Jane Billips Octo 27, 1840

Samuel Carter & Matilda Carter Dec 22 1840

Andrew P. Moore & Nancy Cummings Jany 28, 1841

Floyd P. Shannon & Elizabeth Roark March 4th 1841

Henry Milam & Marinda Totten March 11, 1841

Thomas S. Gillespie & Nancy Shannon April 15th 1841

Andrew Milam & Jane Milam July 22nd 1841

Elkanah Champ & Nancy Carter Sept 30th 1841

Gustavus A. Beemer & Mary Jane McDonald Octo 27, 1841

Joshua Day & Adeline Harry Feby 22nd 1842

Joseph Looney & Lavinia Day March 3rd 1842

WILLIAM SHANNON

March 12th 1842

Tazewell County, to wit,

These are to license and permit you to join together in the holy state of Matrimony, Francis Michum and Christina Milam, according to the forms and customs of your Church, and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant, Given under my hand this 30th day of March 1842

GEO. W. G. BROWNE, C.

To any minister legally authorized to celebrate

Executed 31st March 1842

WM. SHANNON

To the clerk of Tazewell County Court,

I do hereby certify that I joined Shadrach Stacy and Julian Smith in the state of matrimony on the 8th day of August 1841

I also joined Daniel Blankenship and Sophia Luster in the state of Matrimony on the 2nd day January 1842

JOSEPH LOONEY



Mr. George W. G. Browne, Clerk of Tazewell County

On the 12th day of March 1842 George W. Payne and Armendy Beavers was married  
DAVID PAYNE.

Mr. George W. G. Browne Clerke of Tazewell County

On the 20th day of Marche 1842 Simaen Payne and Marian Barnes was married  
DAVID PAYNE

#### A list of Marriages

I do hereby certify that *in* July the 16 1841 I joined together in the holy state of matrimony John Altiser and Sally Beavers

Also Elias Harman and Sally McGuire August 17th 1841

Also James Clear and Tabith Rose October the 20, 1841

Also Reuben A. Whitt & Lydia Pruett March the 30, 1842

Also Joshua Puckett and Margaret Curl November the 26 1842

Also William Puckett and Luvicey Curl December 18th 1842

Also John Bunyan Whitt and Katharine Beavers April the 14th 1842

Also Noah Whitt and Matilda McGuire May the 3, 1842

WM. HENKEL

Mr. George Brown, Charles Painter and Matilda Barns was married on the 10th day of July 1842  
DAVID PAYNE

I do certify that I joined together in Holy wedlock James Q. Kendrick and Rebecca W. Witten on the 21st day of July 1842

GEO. W. G. BROWNE, L. P.

I certify that on the 4th day of August 1842 I joined together in wedlock James M. Freeman and Sarah Williams Given under my hand Aug 5, 1842  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

June 14th 1842

I return to your Office in Jeffersonville Tazewell County a list of marriages for the year 1841

On the 30th day of January, joined together Daniel Hagy and Euphinia Yost

March the 11th John Helmandollar and Elizabeth Susan Martin

March 30th Anderson Cook and Jane Hall

April 4th William Seabolt and Lydia Beavers

April 4th William Hicks and Catherine Straton

June 1st Gordon C. Thorn and Agnes C. Shannon

June 1st Robert R. Montague and Grizilda Gose

October 28th Mark Hendrickson and Sally Scoto

October 26th Jefferson I. Myers and Malinda Whitley

By me JAMES CHARLES

Geo. W. G. Brown Clerk

Mr. George W. G. Brown. Sir, On the 1st of September I marid Benjamin Spense and Catharne Deel

October the 1st 1842.

Mr. George W. G. Brown, Sir, I marid William Mullins Hanah Osbun on the 1st of September

DAVID PAYNE

Tazewell County to wit, Having found a licence that has been misplaced, I now certify to Geo W. G. Browne Clk of sd. County, that on the 13th day of October 1839, John Yost and Elizabeth Stump was joined together in the holy estate of Matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

Also I certify to said Clerk that on the 13th day of October 1842, Anderson Atkins and Annaliza Atkins was joined together in the holy estate of matrimony by me

JOHN PERRY

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celebrated by me William McGuire according to the forms and seremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and by licens obtained from the clerk of said Court viz,

James Burk & Louisa S. McGuire Married February the 10th 1842.

Benjamin W. Compton and Margaret Cecil married february the 24, 1842.

Leonard Harper and Louisa Arenhart married february the 27 1842

John M. Hurt and Louisa M. McGuire married Aprile 10, 1842

Thomas Bandy and Sally Woolridge married July the 16 1842

Timothy Lester and Charlote Blankenship married August the 4, 1842

William W. Stephenson and Scynthia Lockheart married September the 15, 1842

James Reed and Dorcas Deal married November the 3, 1842

William Blankenship and Rinda Johnson married November the 24, 1842

The above marriages was selebrated by me sinc the first of January 1842. Given under my hand this the 27th day of December 1842

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

Kiah Blankenship and Rachel Sanders was married on the 6th day of November 1842

Also Mikel Cline and Marthrew Lambert on the 10th of November 1842

DAVID PAYNE

Tazewell County to wit:

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the mariages celebrated by me within the preceding year

I join together in holy wedlock James M. Lewis & Margaret Willson on the 26th January 1842

I join together in holy wedlock Harvey P. Witen & Polly Peery on the 3d day March 1842

I join together in holy wedlock Lewis Cooper & Eliza Asbury on the 2d day Febuary 1842

I join together in holy wedlock Jesse Kinder & Letitia Stump first day March 1842

I join together in holy wedlock William B. Young & Nancy Giluspie on 5 day of May 1842

I join together in holy wedlock Thomas Peery Jr. & Rebecca G. Whiten on the 16th June 1842

I join together in holy wedlock Samuel K. Whitten & Nancy H. Peery on 7th of July 1842.

I join together in holy wedlock Colvin F. Dyer & Tabitha Asbury on the 27th of Oct. 1842.

The Marrages ware celebrated by me within the preceding year

DAVID YOUNG

December 18 1842.

I do certify that pursuant to license to me directed I celebrated the following marriages in the County of Tazewell during the year ending 31st Dec. 1842. viz:

Thomas K. Lambert & Charlotte Stowers Jan 18th 1842 and

James M. Compton & Lucinda Hix April 26th 1842

A. N. HARRIS

Tazewell County the 21st 1845. I return a list to your Office of matrimoniel *Rights* cellibrated as followeth—

1842 Granville H. B. Myers & Bathsheba Brown Dec 21, 1842

Samuel Graham and Cozbi Harrisson November the 8, 1842

Chapman A. Spotts & Elizabeth P. Whitman Spt 3<sup>rd</sup> 1842.

Benjamin Layne and Margaret E. Crockett Jan. 4, 1842

Samuel McCormick & Mariah Harman August 25, 1842



1843 Thomas H. Franklin and Abigail Havens February 14, 1843

William W. Compton and Nancy Compton Dec 28, 1843

Mitchell Cline & Nancy Whitley May 4th 1843

John B. Gillespie and Martha Cross July 27th 1842

1844 James W. Shannon and Nancy Cumpston February 15 1844

By me JAMES CHARLES Local Elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church Date Above

Clerk Geo W. G. Brown

I do hereby certify that on the 5th day of January 1843, I joined together Andrew Jackson Bully and Elizabeth M. Witten in lawful wedlock. Given under my hand this 6th day of January 1843.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE, L. P.

M. E. Church

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined Peter Coleman and Mahala Stiltener in the state of matrimony on the 20th day of December 1842

I also joined Christopher Stiltener and Mary Ann Whitaker in the state of matrimony on the 31st day of January 1843.

I also joined Elias Stiltener and Nancy Matney in the state of matrimony on the 9th day of March 1843 JOSEPH LOONEY

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined William Stacy and Rebecca Blankenship in state of matrimony on the 9th day of May 1843

JOSEPH LOONEY

I do hereby certify that on the 18th day of May 1843 I united in holy wedlock Rawley W. Witten and Julian Ann V. Harrisson. Given under my hand this 20th day of May 1843

GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

Methodist Esp. Church

On the 31st day of May 1843, I joined Isaiah Roberts and Melinda Miller in holy wedlock GEORGE EKIN M. E.C.

This is to certify that on the 6th June 1843, the undersigned, a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church, celebrated the rites of matrimony between James V. Logan and Eleanor H. Vincil, agreeably to a license issued from the Clerk's Office of Tazewell County, Virginia

GEORGE R. BARR

June 7th 1843

On the 6th day of July 1843, I joined John S. Dougherty and Hannah Peery in lawful wedlock

Given under my hand this 6th July 1843

GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

M. E. Church

I do hereby certify that on the 24th day of August 1843, I joined David G. Yost and Hannah Wolf in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

May the 25th 1843

Mr. George W. G. Browne, Sir on the 4th day of May I married Philip Lambert and Elizabeth Russell

DAVID PAYNE

May the 25th 1843

Mr. George W. G. Brown Sir On the 14th of May I married Allen Mileum and Martha Lester

DAVID PAYNE

May the 25th 1843

Mr. George W. G. Brown Sir: On the 19 of May I married Amos Totton and *Susy* Mitchum (or Sary)

DAVID PAYNE

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celebrated by me since the first day of January 1843, viz:

Green Ball and Sarah Steel was married April the 13, 1843

John Vance and Rhody Griffitts was married April the 18th 1843

William King and Dorcas Prater was married May the 7th 1843

James H. Remines and Ruth Hickman was married August the 20th 1843

William McGuire and Virginia Linn was married October the 11th 1843

The above marriages was celebrated by me according to the forms and ceremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church since the first of January 1843

Given under my hand this the 28th of December 1843

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

Tazewell County, to wit:

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me, D. Young, within the preceeding year.

I joined together in holy wedlock on the 27 of Aprile 1843, Jacob Deskins and Rachel Harper

I joind in holy wedlock, John Spratt and Jane Peery on the 18th of May 1843

I joind in holy wedlock David Bolin and Louisa J. B. Anderson on the first of June 1843

I joind in holey wedlock Walter W. Thompson and Narcissa Thompson on the 24th of August 1843

I joind in holey wedlock Henry Deskins and Marissa Harper on the 12th of October 1843.

I joind in holey wedlock George W. Bolen and Delilah S. Stanley on the 30 of November 1843

I joined in holey wedlock Jonathan E. Blankenship and Frances Smith on the 28th of Desember 1843

These are joined together by me this 25th of December 1843

DAVID YOUNG

Pursuant to a license issued from the Clerks Office of the County Court of Tazewell County on the 12th day of November, I joined together in holy matrimony, Robert J. Stephenson and Elizabeth Ann Crabtree

Given under my hand this 13th February 1844

R. C. ROBERTS

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court, I do hereby certify that I joined Robert Stewart and Martha Jane Davis in the state of matrimony on the 9th day of October 1843, by license

Also I joined Ruel Osbourne and Syndesty Breeden in the state of matrimony on the 10th day of December 1843—by publication

Also I joined Mathew Stiltner and Polly Lester in the state of matrimony on the 28th day of March 1844—by publication.

JOSEPH LOONEY

I do hereby certify that I joined Asa Alley and Angeline Hedrick in lawful wedlock on the 11th day of January 1844

GEO. W. G. BROWNE, L. P.

A list of marriages.

I do *heareby* certify that on the 30th day of June 1843 I joined together in matrimony Jeremiah Whitt and Nelinda McGuire

William Whitt and Sarh Ann Lockhart 12 day of July 1843

and Alexander Pruett and Sarah Ann Harrison July 14 1843

and Thomas Whitt and Polly Bruster Stpt the 12 1843

and John McCenville and Elizabeth Pruett November the 22 day 1843



and Carter Hankins and Nancy Hankins on the 9th day of February 1844

and Martian Sowers and Sally Gilfin Aprile the 21 1844

WILLIAM HENKEL

Charter Mitchel and Elizabeth Payne was marid on 24 day of April 1844

DAVID PAYNE

George Brown

George W. Payne

I do hereby certify that on the 4th day of April 1844 I joined Francillo M. Moors & Polly Ananda Peery in lawufl wedlock

GEO. W. G. BOWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 29th day of May 1844 I joined Jacob Cameron and Margaret Fox in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BOWNE

I do hereby Certify that on the 4th day of June 1844 I joined William Allen and Sally Oney in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BOWNE

June this the 25th day 1844

Mr. George W. G. Browne .. John Spense and Elisabeth Deel was marred on the 16 day of June 1844

DAVID PAYNE

August the 13 .. 1844

Mr. George W. G. Brown.. Si.. On th.. 27th of June 1844 I mared Elijah Mitchum an.. Tilda Squitner and also

On the 21st of July 1844, Benjamin Mullins and Nebba Hall was marred

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George Brown.. Sir:

Abner H. Vester and Poley Tomson was marred on the 15th day of Sepember 1844 and

Maston Tesen an Dicy Roberts was maridon the 29th day of September 1844

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George W. Brown: Sir,

James Payne and Elizabeth Sisemore was married on the 21 day November 1844

DAVID PAYNE

I certify that on the 12th day of September 1844 I Joined John B. Marrs and Priscilla Ray in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 12th day of September 1844 I joined William T. Moore & Mary B. Barns in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 16th day of September 1844 I joined Augustus Neel & Frances Taylor in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 19th day of September 1844 I joined John Harkrider & Elizabeth Grills in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 26th day of September 1844 I joined Isaac Repass and Phebe Clara Hedrick in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 24th day of October 1844 I joined Jefferson Matney and Julia A. Crockett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 5th day of December 1844 I joined James C. Thompson and Martha G. Rader in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Tazewell County, to wit:

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me D. Young within the preceding year

I joined in holey wedlock William Brooks and Jane Boland on 13 of February 1844

I joined in holey wedlock Daniel C. Wilson and Eleanor Boland on the 15th of February 1844

I joined in Holey wedlock Henry Buchanan and Nancy Wilson on the 16th of May 1844

I joined in holey wedlock John C. Hopkins and Levisa B. Gillespie on the 20th of June 1844

I joined in holey wedlock George W. Deskins and Wyrinda Rader on the 11th of July 1844

I joined in holey wedlock William O. George and Eleanor W. Witten on the 8th of August 1844

I joined in holey wedlock William Asbury and Sarah Ann Gillespie on the 27th day of August 1844

I joined in holey wedlock Moses S. Sayers and Darcey Asbury on the 16th of September 1844

I joined in holey wedlock Floyd G. Meadows and Cosby J. Ceral on the 12 of Desember 1844

Executed by me

DAVID YOUNG

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celebrated by me william McGuire, Viz:  
 John McGuire and Mary Bishop married Febuary the 7  
 Thomas Barrott and Nancy Whitt married March the 12  
 Richard Steel and Celia Drake married May the 28th  
 James Moore and Debbe Cooper .. published and married according to law May the 2.

Ebeneser Bruster and Hana Whitt married March the 14th  
 James Wilson and Rebecca M. Barrott married August the 22.  
 Augustus B. Sayers and Jane A. Brown married September the 17

Daniel Harman and Susan Hatch married September 19th  
 Moses Michel and Nancy Asbery married October the 17th  
 John Pruet and Alce Spence married December the 26th

The above marriages was celebrated by me according to the forms and ceremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church since the first day of January 1844.

Given under my hand this the 31 day of December 1844

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined Ashville H. Smyth and Matilda Stacy in the state of matrimony on the 8th day of July 1844

Also, I joined John Yates and Martha Shortridge in the state of matrimony on the 14th day of November 1844

Also, I joined Boon Shortridge and Nancy Elswick in the state of matrimony on the 14th day of November 1844

Also, I joined Eli Thomis and Elender Hobbs in the state of matrimony on the 25th day of December 1844.

JOSEPH LOONEY

By virtue of a marriage license issued from the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Tazewell County Va. I hereby certify that on the 13th day of December 1844—I joined together in holy wedlock Benjamin Lusk & Cynthia B. Shannon.

MOSES E. KERR M. G.

A list of Marriages

I do hereby certify that I joined in the holy state of matrimony Benny Low & Roddy Whitt on the 2nd day of July 1844

Also Harvey H. Patterson & Jane Patterson on the 24th of October 1844



Also James Deskins & Marget Hickman on the 25th of March 1845.

Given under my hand this 18th of June 1845

WILLIAM HENKELL

To Mr. George W. G. Browne Sir: This is to certify that on the 4th day of November last I joined together in the holy state of matrimony Simpson Casey & Marry Barnet

Allso on the 23d of the same instant, Moses Workman & Mary Blankenship

Given under my hand this 8th day of December 1845

DAVID PAYNE

### “END OF REGISTER No. 1”

In pursuance to an order of April Court to us directed we have examined the Clerks Office of this County and find the Wills recorded & the Deeds Recorded to March Court and the Marriage Certificates nearly Recorded, and the estrays are also Recorded and the other Papers appeared to be in as good order as the situation of the office would admit of as far as we knew. Given under our hands this 14th day of May 1846

WILLIAM GEORGE

HENRY HARMAN

#### Note by Author:

The second half of Register No. 2, is so badly written that several words could not be read at all. ‘I’ and ‘J’ are written alike; ‘S.’ ‘L.’ and ‘T.’ are usually written alike. When any of these five letters appears as an initial, one cannot determine which letter is intended. With the aid of County Clerk and County Treasurer in deciphering the badly written words and letters, we feel that a minimum of errors will be found.

### MARRIAGE REGISTER NUMBER 2.

1844 to 1852-3

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I certify that on the 31st day of December 1844, I joined Crockett Stump and Mary Doak in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

I certify that I joined Edmond Holley and Levisay Stump in the bonds of wedlock on the 14th day of March 1844

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that I joined William Odle and Louisa Myers in the bonds of wedlock on the 16th day of January 1845

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that I joined Anderson Belsher and Letitia Ann Carter in lawful wedlock on the 22nd day of January 1845.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that I joined John Billups and Francina Odle in lawful wedlock on the 6th day of February 1845.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that Audley H. Wilson & Cynthia Whitley in lawful wedlock on the 18th day of February 1845

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that I joined George Shannon and Virginia Shannon in lawful wedlock on the 27th day of February 1845.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that I joined Robert C Graham and Elizabeth P. Witten in lawful wedlock on the 6th day of March 1845

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that I joined Tobias Belsher and Margaret Milam in lawful wedlock on the 15th day of March 1845

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

This the 15th day of March 1845. Mr. George W. Brown: Sir, David Pain and Catheraner Charles *was marid* February the 20 day

DAVID PAIN

This the 15th day of March 1845 .. Mr. George W. Brown, Sir, Jacob Smith an.. Elizabeth Smith was *marride* the 2nd day of March 1845

DAVID PAIN

I certify that on the 15th July 1845, I joined William Taber and Nancy Totten in holy wedlock GEO. W. G. BROWNE L P

M. E. Church

I certify that on the 9th day of August 1845, I joined Harman Lewis and Dorcas King in holy wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE L P

Meth. E. Church

I certify that on the 3d day of July 1845, I joined Starling F. Watts and Jane M. George in holy wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 21st day of August 1845, I joined Zachariah Walden and Irene Danoy in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

April 23 day 1845. Mr. George N. Broun Sir. Samson Estept and Mahala Osben was marred on the 23d of March.

DAVID PAYNE.

and William Odear and Abigail Jones was marred on 27 day of March 1845

DAVID PAYNE.

Mr. George W. G. Brown Sir:

Nathn Blankship and Saly Wilds was marred on 28th day of July 1845

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George W. G. Brown Sir:

Slrantle Workman and Sridla Weeb was marred on the 2nd day of August 1845

DAVID PAYNE

On the 22d May 1845, I joined William Prince & Martha L. Taber in holy wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

On the 30th day of May 1845, I joined Hezekiah Billups and Nancy Davidson in holy wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

On the 13th day of June 1845, I joined Peter Atkins & Rhoda Belsher in holy wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

This is certify that on the 22d February 1845, I joined John G. Carr and Martha J. Witten in holly wedlock

December 18, 1845 C. CAMPBELL T. E. M. E. C.

I do hereby certify that on the 3rd day of November 1845, I joined William O. Yost & Elizabeth Jane Whitman together in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 18th Dec. 1845

COLEMAN CAMPBELL, T. E. M. E. Church

On the license issued for the marriage of Thomas Marrs and Milly Ann Runnien, the following endorsement is made "Executed the 6th day of November 1845 by

WM. SHANNON"

December the 30th 1845

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell, that the following marriages were celebrated by me in the term of the present year.

1st. Viz: Brooks Martin and Nancy Vandike married January the 9th by publication.



2nd Jeremiah W. Steel and Martha Lockhart, married March the 11th 1845.

3rd. William Patton Oney and Sarey Elswick, married February the 5th 1845.

4th John M. Stephenson and Emma Whitt, married April the 15th 1845

5th William Estep and Sary Lane, married by publication April 23rd 1845.

6th Shadrach Steel and Martha Blankenship, married June the 5th 1845.

7th John W. Eslwick and Nancy Oney married July the 2nd 1845

8th John Horton and Sara.. Brown married September 10th 1845

9th William D. Hurt and Elizabeth McGuire, married October the 22nd 1845

10th Jacob Johnson and Elizabeth Bishop, married December the 24th 1845.

The above marriages were celebrated by me since the 1st of January 1845. Given under my hand this the 30th of December 1845.

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

I certify that on the 9th day of September 1845, I joined Hervey Wise & Eliza Havens in lawful wedlock GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 30th day of October 1845, I joined Samuel W. Austin & Christina Harman in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 24th day of December 1845, I joined Iredell Burcham & Margery McMeans in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

I certify that on the 15th day of January 1846, I joined Alexander H. Thompson and Polly Day in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined Michael Luster and Melinda Stiltner in the state of matrimony on the 2nd day of October 1845.

Also I joined Silas Ratliffe and Sally Looney in the state of matrimony on the 23rd day of October 1845

Also I joined Walter Matney and Elizabeth Looney in the state of matrimoney on the 29th day of January 1846

Also I joined Sparrel Ratliff and Nancy Ratliff in the state of matrimoney on the 10th day of February 1846.

Also I joined Abednego Ratliff and Mary Ann Childers in the state of matrimoney on the 12th day of February 1846.

Also I joined William H. Vance and Sarah Ratliff in the state of matrimoney on the 24th day of March 1846.

Also I joined Dickson Carter and Charlotte Coleman in the state of matrimoney on the 8th day of April 1846.

JOSEPH LOONEY.

#### A list of Mariedgs 1845

I do hereby certify that I joind Harvey Grose and Matilda Martin in *mattermoney* on the 12th day of January 1845.

Also Harvey Deskins & Jane Jent on the 15th of August 1845.

Also Joseph Jones & Catherine Vandike on the 20th August 1845.

Also George T. Harrisson & Dicy Henkell on the 11th June 1845.

Also William Christian & Sally Altizer 10th Sept. 1845

WILLIAM HENKEL

#### Tazewell County Sct

I do hereby certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell, that on the 11th of Dec. 1845, I joined William P. Maxwell and Matilda B. Whitley in the holy state of matrimony.

WILLIAM SHANNON

11th Dec. 1845

This is to certify that I, David Young, joined together in holly wedlock William H. Buchanan and Jane Thompson on the 3rd July 1845.

DAVID YOUNG.

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marages was celebrated by me in the year 1846, Viz:

John Green and Peggy Vincell, married January the 29th day 1846.

Danial Johnson and Tishe Gross married Aprile the 24th day 1846.

John G. Cipers and Malinda Stephenson married May the 12 day 1846

John T. Sayers and Polly Wingo married September the 3rd day 1846

Thomas Quicksell and Rebecca Harckrider married September the 3d day 1846.

William Oney and Catherine Barnett married September 27th day 1846

Thomas M. Scott and Martha J. Repass married Oct 8th 1846

William M. Harman and Hariet Browning married November the 19 day 1846

James Allen and Caroline Helms married November 19th day 1846.

Given under my hand this the 29 day of December 1846

WILLIAM MCGUIRE.

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Virginia,

I hereby certify that I did unite in holy matrimony James Brown and Nancy Wolf on the 18 of August 1846.

And that I did also unite in holy matrimony William Cooper and Mary Lambert on the 17 of September 1846.

And that I did also unite in holy matrimony Conrod P. Hale and Margaret M. Witten on the 22nd of Oct. 1846

All of them by virtue of Marriage licence from your office

JAMES CALFEE.

Tazewell County, to wit:

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the two last years.

I joined Henry P. Bowling & Nancy Anderson in holy wedlock on the 13th March 1845.

I joined James Harrison & Nancy W. Barns in holy wedlock on the 19th August 1845.

I joined Wilson Carter & Polly Blankenship in holy wedlock on the 29 October 1845.

I joined Hiram H. Hyden & Patient Rudd in holy wedlock on the 11th June 1846.

I joined Calvin Gillespie & Catherine Boling in holy wedlock on the 7th July 1846.

I joined Joseph Gill & Elizabeth Payne in holy wedlock on the 28 July 1846.

I joined James Steel & Nancy Jane Cecil in holly wedlock on the 2nd July 1846.

I joined Jesse Bates & Elizabeth H. Asbury in holy wedlock on the 28th December 1846.

The above were celebrated by me

DAVID YOUNG

Decemeber 28, 1846.



I do hereby certify that on the 27th day of January 1846 I joined Daniel H. Wright and Martha P. Harman in holy wedlock. Given under my hand  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

I do hereby certify that on the 26th day of March 1846 I joined Jacob Myers and Eliza Thompson in lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

I do hereby certify that on the 2nd day of June 1846 I joined William Patterson and Nancy Patterson in Lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

I do hereby certify that on the 16th day of June 1846, I joined John Sexton and Julia Ann Witten in lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE L. P.

A list of Marridges. September the 4th 1846.

I do hereby certify that I joined together in the holy estate of Matrimoney, Burrell Ratliff & Mary Puckett on the 29th of January 1846

Also James Smith & Saley Puckett on the 2nd day of Aprile 1846

Also Smith Carter & Jane Cuppenheffer on the 14th day of June 1846

WILLIAM HENKEL.

A list of Marriages by J. J. Greever.

joined together in wedlock in Oct. 1841, John W. Johnston and Nicketti B. Floyd.

Isaac Goodman and Ann Spracher in February 1842

Joseph Goodman and Martha Spence in June 1842

Stephen Rhudy and Cynthia Ann Mahood in April 1844

Rufus G. Newlane an Jane Day in September 1844

Peter Ritter and Margaret Spracher in July 1845

George Spracher and Phebe Ritter in August 1845

Jesse Peery and Angeline Mahood in January 1845

Chapman Duncan and Lorthy Jones in March 1846

J. J. GREEVER.

I do hereby certify that on the 12th of September 1845 I jined Archable Pruet and Martha Mitchel in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 12 day  
JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 10th day of October 1845 I jind William Vaun and Luisa Combs in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this day  
JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 26th day of November 1845 I joined John Pruet and Lydia Beavers in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this day  
JOHN SIZEMORE.

I do hereby that on the 10th December, I joind Andrew More and Nancy Mitchem in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this day  
JOHN SIZEMORE.

I do hereby certify that on the 5th day of May 1846 I jiond James Mitchel and Anna Webb in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this day  
JOHN SIZEMORE.

I do hereby certify that on the 8th day of February 1846 I joined Garret P. Lambert and Martha Rusel in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this day  
JOHN SIZEMORE.

I do hereby certify that on the 2nd day of Septem. 1846 I joind Bird Bruster and Elizabeth Whitt in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this day  
JOHN SIZEMORE.

August the 2nd day 1846.

Mr. George W. G. Brown, Sir,

I have marrey Ize Jacson and Rebeccey Gipson on the 29th day of may.  
DAVID PAYNE

October the 22d 1846.

Mr. George W. Brown Sir: I married Daniel Jewel and Minurvey Patric on the 28th of August 1846.  
DAVID PAYNE.

Mr. Geor W. G. Brown Sir: I married Obadiah Blankenship and Nancy Patric on the 1st of September 1846. DAVID PAYNE

Mr. Geor. W. G. Brown Sir, I mared Isaac Roberts and Dorcas Mullins on the 5th of October 1846. DAVID PAYNE.

I do hereby certify that on the 10th day of December 1846 I joined William W. Harman and Polly Taylor together in holy wedlock

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court SAMUEL A. MILLER

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court.

I do hereby certify that I joined Samuel Fields and Nancy Stiltner in the state of matrimoney on the 29th day of October 1846

Also I joined Conley Deel and Sarah Gibson in the state of Matrimony on the 31st day of October 1846.

Also I joined Morgan Davis and Martha Lester in the state of Matrimony on the 10th day of June 1847 JOSEPH LOONEY

I do hereby certify that on the 21st day of July 1846, I joined William B. Harman and Rynda Hatch in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 13th day of August 1846, I joined Witten Cecil and Angeline B. Peery in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

February th.. 23th 1847

Solemnize.. the writes of matrimoney between Andrew J. Honaker & Eleanor Neel Dec. the 22d 1846.

Solemnized the writes of matrimony between Elias Burton & Sarah Stowers Feb. 26th 1846

Solemnize the writes of matrimony betwen John Burge & Sariah Rakes Febr. the 7th 1847.

Solemnize the writes of matrimony betwen James McNeel & Rebecca M. Robnett Aug the 27 1846.

Sollemnize the writes of marimoney between William Kidd & Malinda Gose March the 12th 1846.

Sollemnize the writes of marimony between Russell Hager and Sariah Stump January th.. 21 1847.

Sollemnize the writes of matrimony between Simms Stowers and Jane T. Evans Sept the 10th 1846.

Sollemnize the writes of matrimony between John Steel and Elen Compton July 30th 1846.

WM. E. NEEL

I do hereby certify that on the 11th day of March 1847, I joined John Thompson and Sophrinia Burrass in holy wedlock.

JOHN B. LOGAN.

I do hereby certify that on the 8th day of April 1847, I joined together in holy wedlock, John Odair and Elizabeth Payne

DAVID PAYNE

On the license issued for the marriage of John N French and Eliza Jane Honaker, the following endorsement is made "I do hereby certify that the within parties were united together as man & wife May the 6th 1847, by me

WILLIAM ROBESON Min of the M. E. C. S."

This is to certify that on the 24th Aug. 1847, I did joine together in matrimony, William A. Young and Melinda Bolling.

Witness my hand Aug 27th 1847.

JOHN B. LOGAN



I certify that on the 23d day of September 1847, I joined James T. Dailey and Bernetta Emily Belchy in lawful wedlock.

JOHN B. LOGAN

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of November 1847, I joined William Asberry and Lavila Mitchel.. in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 9th Nov.

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 13th day of November 1847, I joined William Stump and Rachel Pruett in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 13th day Nov.

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 23rd day of November, 1847 I joined Elijah Pruett and Sary Pruett in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 28th November

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 31st day of March 1847 I joined Edward S. Rose and Nancy Reed in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 31st day of March

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 1 day of Aprial 1847 I joined Tobias Sizemore and Lydia Mitchel in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 1 day of Aprial

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 23d day of March 1847 I joined William Hankins and Haner Asberry in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 23rd day of March

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of Aprial 1847 I joined Thomas P. Patterson and Deliah Rose in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 9th day of Aprial

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do certify that on the 9th day of Aprial 1847 I joined Riley Altizer and Jane Stevenson in holey wedlock. Given under my hand this 9th Aprial

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 12th day of August 1847 I joined Matthias H. Beavers and Anna Stevenson in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 19th day of August

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 7th day of September 1847 I joined Pleasant M. Lawson and Matilda Lawson in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 7th day of Se..

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on the 18th day of Aprial 1847 I joined Owen Sizemore and Nancy Lambert in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this 18th Aprial

JOHN SIZEMORE

I certify that on the 21st of Oct 1847, I did join together in lawful wedlock James McBrown & Margaret Higginbotham

JOHN B. LOGAN

Mr. George W. G. Browne, Sir

I married Thomas Mitchem and Mary Wolf on the 26th of September 1847.

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George W. G. Brown.. Sir

I married Henry A. Harman & Christiner Harman on the 26 of August 1847.

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George W. G. Brown.. Sir

I married James C. Lester an.. Elizebeth Blanknship on the 29th of August 1847

DAVID PAYNE.

Mr. George W. G. Browne, Sir,

I married John M. Blankenship and Beca Blankenship on the 29th of August 1847

DAVID PAYNE

I certify that on the 18th November 1847 I did joine together in lawful wedlock, Armstrong Rose & Susan Williams

JOHN B. LOGAN

Tazewell County, to wit:

I, David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joind James Q. Smith and Rebecah P. Thompson in holly wedlock on the 20th Aprile 1847

I joined Charles G. Higginbotham and Amanda M. More in holly wedlock on the 10th June 1847.

I joined Bird Lockhard and Sally Brooks in holly wedlock on the 2nd September 1847.

I joined James E. Hayter and Louisa B. Thompson in holly wedlock on the 7th October 1847

These are celebrated by me

DAVID YOUNG

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages has been celebrated by me viz:

John Stevenson and Katharine Oney married January the 10th day 1847.

Jeremiah Brown and Mary Hinkle was married January the 20th day 1847.

John W. Claypool and Mary Lockhart was married January the 28th day 1847.

Abner Spence and Phebe Gent married February the 24th day 1847

Samuel C. Daile and Virginia B. Minter was married April the 1 day 1847

Hiram C. Compton and Lourinda McGuire was married April the 1 day 1847

Henry M. Harman and *Sausaniah* Christian was married Augus.. the 10th day 1847.

John H. Gates and Louisey Christian was married June the 10th day 1847

John Pucket.. and Ruth Burcham was married March the 24 day 1847

John Steele and Elizabeth Nicewonder was married March the 25th day 1847

The above marriages was celebrated by me, according to the forms and Seremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church since the first day of January 1847. Given under my hand this the 28th day of December 1847

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

I certify that on the 14 July 1846, I joined Thomas S. Carnahan and Letitia Peery in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE, V D M

I certify that on the 27th Jan. 1847, I joined George Thompson & Rebecca King in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

I certify that on the 28th January 1847, I joined John C. Gillespie and Mary E. Kendrick in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 3d day of June 1847 I joined Calvin Waldron and Nancy Wright in l awful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 20th day of October 1847 I joined Henry May and Rhoda Harman in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 21st day of October 1847 I joined William Cornwell and Mary Spence in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 9th day of November 1847, I joined Thompson S. Crockett and Rachel L. Cecil in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

November 25th 1847. Celebrated the rites of matrimony betwixt Samuel Thompson & Matilda Harman by licence

December 16th 1847—Celebrated the rites of matrimony betwixt Howard Havens & Sarilda Harmon by licence



December the 28th 1847—Celebrated the rites of matrimony betwixt Daniel Harman, Rebecca Dillion by licence

WM. V. SHANNON.

I do hearby certify on the 24 day of February I joined in holy wedlock Thomas Christian and Polly Barnett

WILLIAM HENKEL.

January 3, 1848. celebrated the rites of matrimony betwixt James Parker & Mary Martin by license

January 20th 1848. Celebrated the rites of matrimony betwixt Benjamin McMullin & Celia Carter by licence

January 27, 1848. Celebrated the rites of matrimony betwixt John Henry Burchfield & Martha Billups by licence

WM. V. SHANNON

I do hereby certify that on the 11th day of January 1848, I joined William T. Lambert & Mary Barnett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 1st day of February 1848 I joined Solomon Rose and Nancy Pike in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 17th Feb. 1848 I joined Isaac Q. Runnion and Rachel Blankenship in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Mr. George W. Brone. Moses Muncy Rachel Jones was married on the 16th day of August 1848

DAVID PAYNE

I certify that on the 28th December 1848 I united Harvey Belsher and Julia Prince in Lawful wellock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 4th day of January 1849 I united William L. Graham and Louisa Thompson in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Solemnize the rites of Matrimony between Mathias Fox and Sarah Ann Lowder June the 31st 1848.

Solemnize the rites of Matrimony between Edward A. Bowles and Margaret Kinnaman August 26th 1848

Solemnize the rites of Matrimony between Russell Alford and Julia Kidd Dec. the 10th 1848

Given under my hand this the 28th of February 1849.

WM. E. NEEL

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined Suel Stacy and Priscilla Breeding in the state of Matrimony on the 4th day of July 1847

Also I joined Frederick Stiltner and Louisa Collins in the State of Matrimony on the 9th day of September 1847

Also I joined Willis Blankenship and Mary Jane Smith in the State of Matrimony on the 5th day of December 1847.

JOSEPH LOONEY

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined Joshua Deel and Prudence Gibson in the state of Matrimony on the 27th day of July 1848.

Also I joined Alfred H. Breeding and Stacy in the state of Matrimony on the 8th day of March 1847

Also I joined William Presley and Sarah Stiltner in the state of Matrimony on the 22d day of March 1849

Also I joined Alexander McClannahan and Abigail Ratliff in the state of matrimony on the 3rd day of May 1849

JOSEPH LOONEY

I certify that on the 24th day of August 1848 I joined James Shepherd and Elizabeth M. Wilson in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

I do hereby certify that on the 8th of October 1848, I joined John D. Peery and Mary C. Gregory in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day November 1848, I joined Henry D. Harman and Elizabeth Hale in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do certify that on the 5th day of October 1848 I joined Rufus K. Harrisson and Louisa Gillespie in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

Mr. Georg.. W. G. Brown.. John Rose and Charitoty Burchfied was married on the 20th day of Oct 1848  
Tazewell County to wit

DAVID PAYNE

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joined James Marshal and Lavica Boland in Holly wedlock on the 20th day of Feb. 1848

I joined Jordan W. Boling and Elizabeth Jane Cecil in holy wedlock on the 30th day of March 1848

I joined Robert Steel and Julia Ann Cecil in holy wedlock on the 13th day of April 1848

I joined Moses Pruett and Susan Arms in holy wedlock on the 17th day of August 1848.

I joined Henry Stephenson and Catherine Deskins in holy wedlock on the 8th day of August 1848.

I joined James B. Boland and Elizabeth Jane Brooks in holy wedlock on the 10th October 1848

I joined Samuel W. Cecil and Elizabeth Goodwin in holy wedlock on the 12th day of October 1848.

I joined Lindsay B. Boling and Mary Jane Deskins in holy wedlock on the 2nd day of November 1848.

I joined Robert C. Boyd and Rebecca Eveline Young in holy wedlock on the 28th day of November 1848.

DAVID YOUNG

December 28 1848

December 25th 1848

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I do certify that the following marriages was *clibrated* by me Viz:

James Burk & Margaret Griffitts married December the 30 1847

Edward Prophet and Sarah Keen married January 6th 1848

Isam S. Cordele & Elizabeth Hickman married January 13th 1848

Robert M. Drake & Jemima L. McGuire married February 10 1848

Isaac Johnson & Elizabeth Vencil married March 16th 1848

Christopher Richison and *Manda* Malvinia Samples married March 16th 1848

George W. Steel and Mary Ann Steel married March 30 1848

John R. Brown & Rachael Wilson married March 30 1848

John Keen and Elizabeth Keen married June 26 1848

Christopher Deskins and Sarah Oney married June 29 1848.

Eli Steel & Virginia McGuire married October 26th 1848

George W. Hurst and Mary Stephenson married October 25 1848

Herivy H. Pruett and Susan Barnett married December 7th 1848

The above marriages was celebrated by me according to the forms and ceremonies of the Methodist Church and all except the first since the first day of January 1848. Given under my hand this 25th day of December 1848

WILLIAM MCGUIRE



I hereby certify that on the 2nd day of February 1848 I have joined together in matrimony Alexander Christian and Catherine Vandike. Given under my hand this 17th of December 1848.

JOHN SIZEMORE

This is to certify that on the 23d of March 1848 I have joined together in matrimony Anthony Christian and Nancy Vandike. Given under my hand 17th of December 1848

JOHN SIZEMORE

February the 24th 1848

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by licence between Andrew L. Brown and Eliza McMullen by WM. V. SHANNON

March the 1st 1848.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by license between David Bell & Charlotie Shrader by WM. V. SHANNON

April 27th 1848

Celebrated the rites of Matrimony by license between Andrew Owens and Rhodicen Havens by WM. V. SHANNON

September 8th 1848.

Celebrated the rites of Matrimony by license Between Elias Hale and Rhoda Moore by WM. V. SHANNON

September 28th 1848.

Celebrated the rites of Matrimony by license between Isaac A. Moore and Elizabeth C. Tabor by WM. V. SHANNON

September the 7th 1848

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by license between Stephen Glandon & Catherine Stump by WM. V. SHANNON

December 19th 1848

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by license between Joseph Gillenwater and Mary An.. Glandon by WM. V. SHANNON

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of January 1849 I joined William Howry and Rhoda J. Morton in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 18th day of January 1849 I joined Gustavus R. Crockett and Zerilda Gillespie in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 18th day of January 1849, I joined Robert Winston and Mary A. Gillespie in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 25th day of January 1849, I joined William L. D. Gillespie and Lydia J. Kendrick in lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 29th day of January 1849, I joined Benjamin Tate and Jane Die in lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE

do hereby certify that on the 13th day of February 1849, I joined Anthony Myers and Polly Perry in lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 1st day of March 1849, I joined William Holly and Mary Ann Susan Goff in lawful wedlock  
GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Mr. George W. *Bown* Sir

Thomas Aldric (Alias Aldridge) and Jane Beavers was married on the 4th day of Jeny 1849  
DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George W. G. Browne Sir

William Bruster and Rebecca Harman was married on the 23d February 1849

Geor. W. G. Browne Sir

Thomas Muncy and Clerica Harrisson was marred on the 7th day of December 1848  
DAVID PAYNE

These are to certify the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell County, that agreeable to the license presented me I have solemnized the rites of Matrimony between James Griffitts and Louisa Martin on the 24 day of May 1849. Given under my hand this 24th day of May 1849  
JOHN WALLACE

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Virginia.

I hereby certify that I joined in holy wedlock on Wednesday the fifteenth day of August 1849 Mr. Peter H. Dills and Miss Nancy Jane Harman according to the forms and usages of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Given under my hand this 20th August 1849  
RICHARD. A. CLAUGHTON

Minister of the M. E. C. South

To the Clerk of Tazewell County at the Court house

This is to certify that I joined together Condly Blankenship and Polly Justice in the holy estate of Matrimony on March the 15th 1849 And under my hand & *siel* THOMAS M. MULLINS

To the Clerk of Tazewell County at the Courthouse

This is to certify that I joind togeather David Jesse Osbourne and Rhoda Keen in the holy estate of matrimony on the 18h day of August 1849

THOS. M. MULLINS

To the Clerk of Tazewell County at the Court House

This is to certify that I join.. togeather William Collins and Levicy Johnson in the holy estate of matrimony Given under my hand on the 24th of August 1848

THOS. M. MULLINS

To the Clerk of Tazewell County at the Court House

This is to certify that I join.. togeather Isham Hall Elizy Marcum in holy matrimony on the 6th day of Sept 1848. Given under my hand & siel

THOS. M. MULLINS

To the Clark of Tazewell County at the Courthouse

This is to *sirtfy* that I joind togeather William W. Justice and Peggy Blankenship on the 16th day of August 1849. Given under my hand & siel

THOS. M. MULLINS

This is to certify that on the 9th day of August 1849 I joined together William Waddle and Eady Watson. August 21st 1849

JOHN B. LOGAN

I do hereby certify that on the 27 day of June 1849, I joined Robert T. Atkins and Jane Harman in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 23rd day of August 1849, I joined Daniel H. Gillespie & Margaret L. Harman in lawful wedlock.

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 16th day of August 1849, I joined James A. Cliborne and Angeline Brooks in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

This is to certify that on the 25th Oct 1849, I joined together in the holy estate of matrimony John Smith & Margaret J. Griffith of Tazewell Co. Virginia

JOHN B. LOGAN

Oct 29 1849

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Cort

I do hereby certify that I joined Clinton Stacy and Sally Yates in the state of matrimony on the 19th Day of July 1849

Also Hiram Blankenship and Eveline Blankenship on the 23rd Day of July 1849.

Allso James Paign and Nancy Breeding on the 2nd day of September, 1849.

GEORGE GIBSON



I do hereby certify that on this day I joined together Isaac Belsher and Martha Milan in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this the 19th of May 1849

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do hereby certify that on this day I joined together Aner H. Luster and Marir Wolf in holy wedlock. Given under my hand this the 9th of May 1850

JOHN SIZEMORE

Joseph Short and Mary Ann Corpley was married on the 25th day of October 1849

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. George W. Brown Sir

William Lester and Milley Lockhart was maryied on the 9th day of December 1849.

DAVID PAYNE

I certify that on the 24th day of August 1849, I joined in wedlock William C. Johnson and Sophia Robnett

R. A. CLAUGHTON

Celebrated the rite of matrimony by authority of license between Aaron Graham & Barbary Ann Martin on the 1st day of March 1849 by me

WILLIAM V. SHANNON

Celebrated the rite of matrimony by authority of license between John Bogle & Elizabeth Furgison on the 19th of November 1849 by me

WILLIAM V. SHANNON

Celebrated the rite of matrimony by authority of license between William W. Brown Malvina Jane Laird on the 25th day of December 1849 by me

WILLIAM V. SHANNON

This is to certify that on the 30th day of October 1849 I joined together in the holy state of matrimony George W. Johnson & Elizabeth Bateman of Tazewell Co. Va.

JOHN B. LOGAN

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined Henderson Elswick and Catherine Looney in the state of matrimony on the 1st day of November 1849

Also I joined Charles Stiltner and Elizabeth Presley in the state of matrimony on the 9th day of May 1850

Also I joined Robert Shortridge and Ruth Luster in the state of matrimony on the 4th day of June 1850

JOSEPH LOONEY

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages were celebrated by me during the present year viz:

Joseph Bishop & Jane Stephenson married February the 1st 1849

Reese Davis & Sarah Vance married March the 15th 1849

Adison Christian & Rebecca Christian married March the 30th 1849

Jeremiah Cecil & Fanny Greene married April the 14th 1849

Joseph Cordell & Mary Vess married April the 21st 1849

Patton J. Lockhart & Caroline S. McGuire married July the 17th 1849

Daniel Christian & Lurany Praett married August the 12th 1849

Robert H. Barnett & Margaret Bruster married August the 14th 1849

Granville G. Cecil & Linney S. McGuire married August the 16th 1849....

Bird L. Bruster & Elizabeth M. Barrett married September the 11th 1849

Lewis Rose & Margaret Rose married November 14th 1849

The above marriages were celebrated by me according to the forms & ceremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church since the first of January 1849. Given under my hand this 29th of December 1849

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

I do hereby certify that on the 26th day of September 1849 I joined Madison Dailey and Margaret Bogle in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 27th day of September 1849 I joined John H. Barnett & Larissa J. Barnett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 4th day of October 1849 I joined John G. Baylor and Julia A. W. Brown in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 17th day of Ooctober 1849, I joined Archibald T. Buchanan and Rebecca P. Thompson in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of November 1849 I joined George Poff and Martha Fields in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 14th day of February 1850, I joined Samuel W. Cecil and Adelia M. C. Sanfley in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 20th day of February 1850 I joined Joseph Stras and Eleanor Letitia Higginbotham in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do certify that on the 8th day of March 1850, I joined Thomas Mathews & Anna Rose in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Tazewell County to wit

I David Young do certify that the following List contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year December 1849

I joined Thomas J. Brooks and Catherine Spence in holy wedlock on the 25th day of January 1849

I joined Wesley McGuire and Margaret Deskins together in holy wedlock on the 15th day March 1849

I joined Joseph Pruett and Malinda Mitchell together in holy wedlock on the 3rd of May 1849

I joined Elijah Harris and Mary Bishop together in Holy wedlock on the 3rd day June 1849

I joined Elijah Lockhart and Jicy Boland together in Holy wedlock on the 4th September 1849

I joined David T. Humphrey and Salina J. Higginbotham together in Holy wedlock on the 15th day November 1849

I do certify the above list to be correct

DAVID YOUNG

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I hereby certify that on the 8th day of November 1849 I did unite in matrimony John W. Bailey with Amy McDonald by virtue of a Licence from your office

JAMES CALFEE

I do hereby certify that on the 16th day of January 1851 I joined Thomas R. Gillespie and Mary S. Thompson in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Tazewell County towit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joined James Asbury and Nancy Elizabeth Wilson in Holy wedlock on the 29th January 1850

I joined Allen Dolton and Nancy Rudd in Holy wedlock on the 13th June 1850

I joined Rees B. Green and Louisa Higginbotham in Holy wedlock on the 7th November 1850

I joined Amos Cowden and Sarah Bowling in Holy wedlock on the 26th November 1850



I joined William B. Gillespie and Elizabeth Stratton in Holy wedlock on the 26th December 1850

DAVID YOUNG

Dec 31st 1850

This is .... Certity that on the 10th day of March 1850 I joined togethner in Holy state of Matrimony Guy T. Harrisson & Nancy Bruster

DAVID PAYNE

This is to certify that on the 28th Feb. 1850 I joined together in the Holy state of matrimony Robert Conley and Tabitha Stratton of Tazewell Co. Va.

JOHN B. LOGAN

This is to certify that on the 21st Feb 1850 I joined together in the Holy state of Matrimony Henry Green and Eleanor Green of Tazewell County Va.

JOHN B. LOGAN

This is to certify that on the 24th January 1850 I joined together in the Holy state of Matrimony Isaac Young & Ellen Johnson of Tazewell Co. Va.

JOHN B. LOGAN

Jany 24th 1850

M. P. Church

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 27of January 1850 Randolph Carter and Marieta Hedrick

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 28th Febuary 1850 James H. McMullin and Elizabeth Boil

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 8th of January 1850 Daniel Shrader and Jane Brooks

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 26th February 1850 Leonard Myars and Polly Leindamood

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 17th of March 1850 Isaac Emshwiler and Matilda Carter

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 25th of April 1850 James A. Martin Mary Jane Smith

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 12th of August 1850 Henry T. Peery Nancy W. Gillespie

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 12th of December 1850 Granville H. Hedrick Polly B. Whitley

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 18th of December 1850 John W. Johnston Margaret D. Nash

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 7th of January 1851 Daniel Carter Elizabeth Owens

Celebrated the rites of matrimony by Wm. V. Shannon on the 5th day of February 1851 Greenville Ferguson Eliza Wright

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I doo certify that the following marriages was celebrated by me Viz:

Meshack Ratliff Lucinda Ratliff married January the 31st 1850

James *Hasbury* and Levica Christian married February 6th 1850

Gilbert M. Peery and Susan Sayers married february 21st 1850

John Vincel and Catharine Lester married Aprile the 4th 1850

Joshua W. Sparks and Cynthia Hankins married April 23rd 1850

James W. Bevers and Elizabeth Whitt married May 8th 1850

John Blankenship and Lille Deskins married May 8th 1850

James G. Whitt and Nancy Webb married September the 4th 1850

Thomas Beavers and Nancy Christian married October the 2nd 1850

Henry Vincel and Elizabeth Steward married October the 24th 1850

The above marriages was Celebrated by me according to the forms and *seremonies* of the Methodist Church since the first of January 1850 Given under my hand this 31st day of December 1850

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

Mr. George G. *Brown* Sir

Danel *Christan* and Sarah Monuts was married on the 20th day August 1850

DÁVID PAYNE

This is to certify to the Clerk of Tazewell County that on the 15th day of Aug 1850 that I join together in the Holy state of Matrimony Andrew Baker and Harriet Smith

Allso on the 13th day of Sept 1850 I joined together in the holy state of matrimony Walter Matney and Elizabeth Fields

Allso on the 8th of Sept 1850 I joined together in the holy state of matrimony Squire Davis and Lairsinda Blankenship

GEORGE GIBSON

I do hereby certify that on the 31st May 1850 I joined Greenville Pack & Susan Parr in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 6th day of June 1850, I joined James S. French and Laura J. George in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 31st July 1850 I joined Thomas Stephenson & Rhoda Brown in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 4th day of December 1850 I joined James B. Thompson & Mary Thompson in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 8th day of January 1851 I joined William P. Dills and Melinda Kinder in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

These are to certify the clerk of the court of Tazewell county that agreeable to the Licence presented me I have solemnized the rites of matrimony between William Speres & Elizabeth Coldwell on the 17th day of Sept 1850

JOHN WALLIS

I do hereby certify that I Solemnized the rites of matrimony between Crockett P. Gillespie and Sarah Ann Crabtree Oct the 16th 1850

WM. E. NEEL

I do hereby certify that on the 7th November 1850 I solemnized the rites of matrimony between Mr. James A. Repass and Miss Lucinda J. Suiter in Tazewell Co.

JAS. A. BROWN

Feb 6th 1851

November the 5th day 1850

Mr. G. W. Brown Sir

Richard Wilee was married and Elizabeth Davis on the 5th day of November 1850

DAVID PAYNE

I do hereby certify that on the 1st day of January 1851 I joined John D. Vencil & Julia A. Peery in holy wedlock

L. W. CROUCH

I do hereby certify that on the 8th day of January 1851 I joined Witten A. Cecil & Nancy C. Wynn in holy wedlock

L. W. CROUCH

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of January 1851 I joined Stephen G Samples & Louisa M. Goodwin in holy wedlock

L. W. CROUCH

I do hereby certify that on the 21st day of February 1851 I joined Henry P. Neel and Lydia Taylor in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 27th day of February 1851 I joined Rice Waldron & Rebecca Beavers in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I hereby certify that on the 4th day of March 1851 I joined Archibald Barnett (son of James) and Julia Ann E. Ritter in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE



I hereby certify that on the 26th day of March 1851 I joined James C. Dickenson & Lucinda M. Kindrick in lawful wedlock  
Mr. George W. G. Browne Sir

Wm. Harman and Melinda Bruster was marred on the third day of August 1851  
DAVID PAYNE Senior

April 29th 1851

Mr. George W. Brown

These are to certify that on the tenth day of April 1851 that I did solemnize the rites of matrimony between Floyd Lusk Clarassa Lambert of your County by virtue of marage licens from your office in Tazewell County  
WM. WALKER BILLE

I do certify that by virtue of a license joined by the Clerk of the court of Tazewell County I celebrated the rite of matrimony during the quarter ending March 31st 1851 between Stephen Lambert & Elizabeth Jane Grills March 15th. Given under my hand this 31st day of March 1851  
S. RHUDY

Min of the Ev. L. Church

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I certify that on the 8th day of May 1851 I united in marriage Charles Tabor with Harriett Harvey and

Also on the 18th day of June I united in marriage Wilbur Slade with Margaret Tabor

Given under my hand this June 22d 1851

JAMES CALFEE, JR.

Virginia Tazewell County to wit

This is to sertify to the Clerk of .... County Court that on the 30th day of September 1851 I celebrated the rights matrimony between Joab Justice .... Polly Blankenship

Also on the 17th day of February 1851 I selebrated the rights of matrimony between William R. Justice and Elizabeth Davis this 25th 1851  
GEORGE GIBSON

I doo hereBy certify that on this day I joined together in holy wedlock Joseph Rose & Drusilla Totten March 16th 1851

JOHN SIZEMORE

I do herby certify that I solemnized the rites of matrimony between Peter Ball & Mary Cecil Jan the 8 1851

Also between David L. Neel & Polly Hopkins April the 3rd 1851

Also between Joshua Spence & Dilla Burgot May the 8th 1851

Also between Benjamin S. Walker and Elizabeth Steel the day  
1851

Also between Wm. Cook and Mary M. Lambert the 1st day of  
July 1851

WM. E. NEEL

July the 1st 1851

I do hereby certify that on the 3rd day of April 1851 I joined  
Franklin Kindser and Polly A. Brown in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 2nd day of April 1851 I joined  
Obadiah Belsher and Visy Stump in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of April 1851 I joined  
William R. Harman and Virginia Crockett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 3d day of June 1851 I joined  
Patterson Bowers and Maria Letitia Crockett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 26th June 1851 I joined Harden Pack &  
Nancy E. Dean in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

This is to sirtify that I joined together in the holy state of  
matrimony Manville Daniels and Sara Keen according to lisene  
ishued from the Clerks Office By James M. Brown

Also Josiah Lam.. and Mary Bowen

Also Lewis Riff and Margaret Collins

Also David Jesey oshlym and Rhody Keen

Also Conly Blankenship and Polly Justice

Also William W. Justice and Peggy Blankenship

Also George W. Hurst and Ruthy Christian

Also George Daniels and Elizabeth Gibson

Also Noah Byrchfield and .....

Given under my hand this 9th June the Lord day 1851

THOMAS MULLINS

Mr. G. W. G. Browne Sir

G. W. Charles and Elis Payne was married on the 3 day of  
August 1851

*Marte Charste* and *Marget Robnet* was marred on the 13th day  
of August 1851

DAVID PAYNE

I do hereby certify that on the 6th day of September 1849 I joined Herenten Cline and Sarah Lambert in lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

I do hereby certify that on the 31st day of October 1850 I joined William Marshal and Martha Belcher in lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined John Nuckles and Lucinda Jackson in the state of matrimony on the 15th day of August 1850

Also I joined John V. Lester and Rachel Stiltner in the state of Matrimony on the 22 day of October 1850

Also I joined Levi Clevinger and Pricey Matney in the state of matrimony on the 5th day of December 1850

Also I joined William Ward and Mary Keen in the state of Matrimony on the 4th day of Jane 1851 JOSEPH LOONEY

I do hereby certify that on the 7th of February 1850 I joined Thomas Gross and Elizabeth Belcher in lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

I do hereby certify that on the 10th day of October 1850 I joined Andrew Belcher and Mary Gross in lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

I do certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that the following marriages was celebrated by me viz:

Montiville Steele and Susannah Maxwell married January 23d 1851

Robert Beavers and Lydia Mitchell married January 28th 1851

John McGuire and Sarah Wills married 6th March 1851

Owen Mitchell and Elizabeth Vandike married 10th April 1851

Basil Elswick and Julia F. Steel married June 15th 1851

Samuel Woltz and Nancy Blankenship married July 17th 1851

Alexander Beavers and Rachel Barnett married July 30th 1851

Thomas Altizer and Rebecca Beavers married July 31st 1851

Jonas Sparks and Polly Hankins married 19th Aug 1851

David Prince and Elizabeth Creed married 4th Sept 1851

William B. Brown and M. I. Brown married 4th Dec 1851

William Stinson and Sabina Claypool married 9 Decr. 1851

William T. Morton and Analiza McGuire married 23d Dec. 1851



The above marriages was celebrated by me according to the ceremonies of the M. E. Church since the 1st of January 1851.

Given under my hand this 30th December 1851

WILLIAM MCGUIRE

Tazewell County to wit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joined Archibald Rudd & Mary Jane Lawson in holy wedlock on the 15th of April 1851

I joined James R. Spence & Diana Sayers in holy wedlock on the 5th day of May 1851

I joined Isaac K. Dougherty and Nancy A. Hoops in holy wedlock on the 13th day of August 1851

I joined Daniel A. Mollery and Nancy Belsher in holy wedlock on the 23d of September 1851

I joined William Hoops and Charlotte Asberry in holy wedlock on the 13th November 1851

I joined Nathaniel Young & Fanny Chalmers in holy wedlock on the 11th day of December 1851

I joined Wesley Gibson & Rebecca Jane Ward in holy wedlock on the 23d day of December 1851

Given under my hand this 30th December 1851

DAVID YOUNG

I certify that on the 26th day of August 1851 I joined Jesse Underwood and Eliza Belsher in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 16th day of October 1851 I joined George G. Hickman and Maria T. Baker in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 5th day of November 1851 I joined William W. Dunn and Emily Gillespie in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 9th day of December 1851 I joined William E. Peery and Catherine M. Cecil in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 22nd day of January 1852 I joined Henry H. Marrs & Lucinda Shrader in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hearby cirtify that on the 3rd day of April 1851 I joined James Bell and July A. Stowers in lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

I do hearby cirtify that on the 5th day of June 1851 I joined Samuel W. Dilion and Tempy Dilion in lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

Mr. G. W. G. Brown Sir

I marred Alexander Beavers and Mary Rose on the 2nd day of August 1851

DAVID PAYNE

To Geo. W. G. Browne CLK

This is to certify that on the 25th day of October 1851 I joined together in holy wedlock Audley Whitt and Hannah Smith

DAVID PAYNE Senr.

Decr. 12th 1851

Tazewell Co. Va.

This is to certify to the Clerk of this County that I married within the bounds of said County on the 3rd July 1851 Samuel A. Claytor & Margaret Six and

On the 23rd December 1851 George Thompson & Mary E. Claytor

ISAAC N. NAFF

Jany. 10th 1852

The license issued from this office dated June 16th 1851 authorizing the marriage of John H. Hoilman and Eliza Jane Neel was returned here on the ..... day of ..... 1851 with the following certificate thereon written "The within executed by me July 10th 1851"

"J. H. HOGE"

I do certify that on the 2d day of May 1852 I joined Peter White & Jane Ellen Rutherford in lawful wedlock

THOMAS MULLINS

I do hearby certify that on the first Day of January 1852 I joined together Samuel Bell and Charity Milam in Lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

I do hereby certify that on the 25th day of March 1852, I joined together Samuel Marrs and Martha Odanold in Lawful wedlock

THOMAS K. LAMBERT

I certify that on the 14th day of February 1850 I joined William T. Kendrick & Maria T. Gillespie in lawful wedlock

/GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Mr. George W. G. Browne Sir

I married Shorter Smith and Elizabeth Robinett on the 27th day of February 1852

DAVID PAYNE

I hereby certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell County Va. that on the 7th day of this inst I married Haynes Thomas and Louisa Thompson agreeable to the laws of Virginia and the rules of our church Given under my hand this 8th day of March 1852.

SAML. ROGERS

I do hereby certify that I solemnized the rites of matrimony between J. W. Neel & Caroline Steel

Also between Wm. Deavor and Martha Repass.

Also between John Kittz and Lucinda Stump February the 26th 1852

WM. E. NEEL

I do hereby certify that I solemnized the rites of matrimony between R. H. Hicks and Elizabeth Jane Maxwell April the 27th 1852

Also between Isaac N. Stratton and Rhoda Fletcher June the 17th 1852

Also between Maddison A. Neel and Barbara Gose July the 6th 1852

Also between between Hiram D. Lambert & Christina Stowers July 19th 1852

WM. E. NEEL

Mr. Geo. W. G. Browne Sir,

I, married William Luster & Polly Lester on the 4th day of April 1852

DAVID PAYNE Sen.

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell

I hereby certify that I did unite in holy matrimony John Taber & Elizabeth Crockett on the 30th day of Oct 1851 by virtue of a license from your office. Given under my hand

JAMES CALFEE

Elder Christian Church

Mr. Samuel L. Graham, Clerk of Tazewell County

This is to certify that on the 18th day of November 1852 I joined together Henry Harrisson & Rebaka J. Brewster in the holy state of matrimony. Given under my hand this 30th Nov. 1852.

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. Graham, Clerk Tazewell County Sir,

I married Archibald Minar & Lidey Charles on the 22nd day of September 1852

Yours & c.

DAVID PAYNE Sen



I do hereby certify that on the 2nd day of April 1851 I joined  
Obadiah Belsher and Vicy Stump in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 9th day of April 1851 I joined  
William R. Harman and Virginia Crockett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 3rd day of June 1851 I joined  
Patterson Bowers and Maria Letitia Crockett in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I certify that on the 26 June 1851 I joined Hardin Pack &  
Nancy E. Dean in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Virginia Tazewell County to wit

This is to certify to the Clerk of County Court that on the 30th  
day of September 1850 I *selebrated* the *rights* of matrimony between  
Joabb Justice Polly Blankenship

Also on the 17th day of February 1851 I *selebrated* the *rights*  
of matrimony between William R. Justice and Elizabeth Davis  
This 25th 1851

GEORGE GIBSON

This is to certify that I joined together in the holy estate of  
matrimony Manville Daniels and Sarah Keen according to license  
*ishued* from the Clerks Office by

JAMES W. BROWN

Also Josiah *lam an* Mary Bowen

Also Lewis Rife and Margret Collins

Also James M. Hurst an.. Ruthy Christian

Also George Daniels and Elizabeth Gibson

Also Noah Birchfield and .....

Given under my hand this June the ..cond day 1851

THOS. MULLINS

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between William Franklin and  
Jane Gibson on the 2nd day of Febuary 1852 by

WM. V. SHANNON

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Rufus Totten and  
Jane ..... on the 1 of July 1852 By

WM. V. SHANNON

This is to certify that I J. J. Greever a minister of the Evan-  
gelical Lutheran Church being authorized by the Clerk of the County  
Court of Tazewell County Va. Solemnized the rites of matrimony  
between the following persons Viz:

Thomas W. Witten Eleanor Harrisson the 15th of September  
1846

Also Joseph D. Grubb and Julia Ann Rhudy on the 20th of Sept  
1848

Also between John P. Harman and Louisa Harman on the 12th  
of Oct 1848

Also between William Hedrick Zilla Murphy on the 2nd of Nov.  
1848

Also between William L. Clark and Elizabeth S. Litz on the 1st  
of February 1849

Also between Jacob Burket and Catherine Rhudy on the 16th of  
March 1848

Also between George W. Buchanan & Martha Thompson on the  
27th of June 1848

Also between Jacob Rhudy and Catherine W. Spracher on the  
25th of Nov. 1847

Also between William Gilpin and Elizabeth Brown on the 23rd  
of Decem. 1847

Also between Robert G. Crockett and Mary Crockett on the 9th  
of Nov. 1847

Also between George S. Ritter & Elizabeth M. Hedrick on the  
8th of July 1847

Also between Michael Bough and Sally Ritter on the 14th of  
Oct. 1847

Also between David Lowder and Matilda Henigar on the 11th  
of March 1849

Also between John Young and Susannah Newton on the 11th of  
July 1849

Also between Rees Heninger and Francis Louthan on the 2nd of  
April 1850.

J. J. GREEVER

Virginia Tazewell County to wit

This is to sertify to the Clerk of Tazel Court on 11th day of  
December I did celebrate the rights of matrimony between Clinton  
Blankenship and *paluy* lester in the year 1851 also on the 14th day  
of December I did *silibrate Rights* of *matrioney* of William Davis..  
Virginia Tazewell County to-wit:

These are to license and permit you to join together in the holy  
state of matrimony according to the forms and ceremonies to which  
you belong George Kelly and Mary Jane Bowen and for so doing

this shall be your sufficient warrant. Given under my hand as Clerk of the said county the 21st day of July 1852.

To any Minister of the Gospel S. L. Graham C legally authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony. The parties named within were married by me the 8th of Aug. 1852.

R. V. WHEELAN.

Bp of Whlg.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between John E. Hale and Mary R. Moore on the 2nd of June 1852 by

WM. V. SHANNON

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Abraham Smith and Polly Runnion the 2nd of September 1852 by

WM. V. SHANNON

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Ruben Richardson and Harriet Billips on the 9th of September 1852 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Cyrus McDonald and Lavena W. Moore on the 14th of September 1852 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between John Murphy and Maria Shannon on the 16th of November 1852

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between David N. Waggoner and Maria E. Deaton on the 25th of November 1852

WM. V. SHANNON.

State of Virginia Tazewell Co S. S.:

This certifies that on the 21st day of October A D 1851 Isaiah J Burke and Mary E Thompson were legally joined in marriage by me

WM M BALDWIN.

I do hereby certify that I solemnize the rites of matrimony between Peter Ball and Mary Cecil Jan the 8 1851.

Also between David S. Neel and Polly Hopkins, April 3 1851

Also between Joshua & Dolly Bengot May the 8th 1851

Also between Benjamin S Walker and Elizabeth Steel the ..... day 1851

Also between Wm. Cook & Mary M. Lambert the 1st day of July 1850

WM. E. NEEL

July the 1st 1851.



Also on the 26 December 1851 I did *silibrate brate* the *Rights of matrimoney* between William Yats Kissy Davis

Also on the 1 day of April 1852 I did *silibrate* the *Rights of matriony* between William Ratliff Caroline Ward

Also on the 6 day of April 1852 I did *silibrate* the *Rights of matermony* between Conley Blankenship and Elizabeth Charles

GEORGE GIBSON

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I do hereby certify that I joined John P. Keen and Narcisa Baker in the state of matrimony on the 9th day of January 1853

Also I joined James Clevenger and Mary Looney in the state of matrimony on the 13th day of October 1853.

JOSEPH LOONEY

This to sertify that I joined togeather in the holy estate of matrimony Thos Church and Margaret Mullins on the 21 day of December 1853

THOS. MULLINS

Tazewell County to wit:

I certify that on the 15 day of Dec 1853 at the house of Mark R. Bogle in said County I solemnized the rites of *marimony* between Edward Maeel & Rachel Ann Bogle both single the sd. Maeels age is 16 years old, and the ..... Rachel is 18 years old, the sd. Edwar Maeel was born in Giles County his residence in Tazewell County on Wolf Creek at the time of his marriage the sd. Rachel Ann Bogle was born in Tazewell, residence on Wolf Creek.

I also certify that the 25 of Jan 1854 at the house of John Lewises in Tazewell County I solemnized the rites of matrimony between John G. Bruce ..... Louisa Lewis the sd. Bruce was a widow he is 25 years old and born in Wythe County his residence at the time of his marriage was in Tazewell County occupation working about, the sd. Louisa Lewis was single aged 26, born in Tazewell County.

Given under my hand this the 31 day of January 1854.

WM. E. NEEL

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court:

I hereby certify that on the 11th day of February 1852 I joined James T. Myers and Mary B. Stump in lawful wedlock:

On the 17th day February 1852 I joined Binjamin Bruster and Louisa Jane Marrs in lawful wedlock

On the 10th day of March 1852 I joined Thomas Whitaker and Elizabeth Taylor in lawful wedlock

On ..... of March 1852 I joined Ebenezar S. Howard and Susannah R. Witten in lawful wedlock

On 23 day of March 1852 I joined Thomas Tubley and Martha T. Gregory in lawful wedlock

On the 8th day of April 1852 I joined Tilman Fields and Paulina Byles in lawful wedlock

On the 29th day of April 1852 I joined Moses Preston and Jane H Perry in lawful wedlock On the 9th day of June 1852 I joined Rees T. Kinder and Teely Kinder in lawful wedlock

On the 10th day of June 1852 I joined Mathias H. Peery and Mary F. Gillespie in lawful wedlock

On the 16th day of June 1852 I joined William summers and Martha L. Bane in lawful wedlock

On 15th day of July 1852 I joined Edward McMeans and Julia Yost in lawful wedlock

On the 27 day July 1852 I joined Asas Thompson & Christena Grills in lawful wedlock

On 15th day of September 1852 I joined David Kinser and Amanda E. Brison in lawful wedlock

On 16th september 1852 I joined Thominas Bruster and Elizabeth Marrs in lawful wedlock

On 28th day of October 1852 I joined Abraham Jenkins & Livy Helmandollar in lawful wedlock

On 23 day of Dec 1852 I joined Archibald Rudd & Mary Marshall in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

Those are to certify the Clerk of the court of Tazewell County that agreeable to the licens presented me I have soelemnised the rits of matrimony between James H. Vance and Eliza J. Elswick on the 10th day of February 1853

Given under my hand this 12 day of February 1853

JOHN WALLICE

To the Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I hereby certify that I did unite in holy matrimony Steven Tabour and Eleanor Havins on the 18th day of January 1853.

Given under my hand

JAMES CALFEE

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell Cty. Va.

This is to certify that on the 20th of Sept 1853 the rites of matrimony were duly solemnised by me between Rufus Brittain & Sarah Elizabeth Peery  
Tazewell Ch Va.

ISAAC N. NAFF

Sept 28th 1853

I hereby certify that I solemnised the rits of matrimony between John T. Nash & Elizabeth Shannon on the 18 day of January 1853

GEORGE STEWARD

Mr. Samuel L. Graham Sir

On the 22nd day of Sept 1853 I joined together holy state of matrimony John Cline of Henry Martha Lambert

GEORGE W. PAYNE

To Clerk of Tazewell County Court

I hereby certify that I did unite in marriage Isaac P. Taber and Nancy Prince on the 22 day of July 1852, By virtue of a license from your office. Given under my hand

JAMES CALFEE

To Clerk of County Court of Tazewell I hereby certify that I did unite in Holy matrimony on the 3d day of August 1852 Isaac Feraby with Elizabeth Lirm by virtue of a licens from your office. Given under my hand

JAMES CALFEE

I certify to Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that I on the 13th day of Feb 1854 at the house of John Elswick in Tazewell Cty. I solemnised the rits of matrimony between John Loony & Lusy Elswick the said John Looney is 20 years old was born in this county lives in this county is a farmer his parents name are John Loony & Syntha Loony. The said Lucy Elswick is 16 years of age single at the time came in this county lives in this county her parents names are John Elswick Winny Given under my hand this 1st day of March 1854

GEORGE GIBSON

Tazewell Cty To wit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all marriages celebrated by me within the preceeding year

I joined Benjamin Wilson and Lear Lucinda Wilson in holy wedlock on 1st Jan 1852

I joined John B. Brooks and Mary Jane Johnson in holy wedlock on the 9th day March 1852

I joined James H. Claytor and Mary Ann Corell in Holy wedlock on the 25th March 1852



I joined John Buchanan and Mary Jane Thompson in holy wedlock on the 29th day of April 1852

I joined Joseph J. Valt and Mary M. Young in holy wedlock on 5th August 1852

I joined John Starling and Martha Asbury in holy wedlock on 30th March 1852

I joined Martin Griffiths and Polly Ann Wallis in holy wedlock on 25th August 1852

I joined Wm. Stratten and Polly Barnett in holy wedlock on 4th November 1852

I joined Ransom Gent and Virginia Ward in holy wedlock on 18th Nov. 1852

I joined Wm. H. Daugherty and Louisa M. Hurt in holy wedlock on 8th Dec 1852

I joined Wm. Spence and Elizabeth Spence in holy wedlock on 30th Dec. 1852

DAVID YOUNG

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell Cty.

I certify that I Joined Addison Robinett and Matilda Wolfe in holy matrimony on 15th Dec 1852

DAVID PAYNE

I do hereby certify that on 10th day March 1853 I joined together Jonas Keen and Judith A Keen in lawful wedlock

ELIJAH VANCE

I do hereby certify that on 25th day of March 1853 I joined together James Coleman and Jane Jackson in lawful wedlock

ELIJAH VANCE

I do hereby certify that on the 6th day of Jan 1853 I joined Charles F. Tiffany and Jane Moore in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 27th day of June 1853 I joined Robert Crockett and Eliza Jane Moore in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE

I do hereby certify that on the 11th day of August 1853 I joined together Frederick Stiltner and Polly Stiltner in lawful wedlock

ELIJAH VANCE

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell

I hereby certify that on the 28th of July 1853 I solemnized the marriage of Thomas Bandy Lilly Christain. Given under my hand

DAVID PAYNE

("Void" written on margin of Register)

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell Cty Va

This is to certify that I joined in holy wedlock on 25th Day of Dec 1853 Miss Louisa Hoolbrook & Jas. Bruster

G. W. PAYNE

("Void" written on margin of Register)

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell

I do hereby certify that I joined Wm. Ratliff and Patsey Ratcliff in the state of matrimony on the 22nd day of July 1852

JOSEPH LOONEY

To the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell I hereby certify that I joined in holy wedlock John M. Ratcliff and Eleanor Ward this 25th day of July 1852

JOSEPH LOONEY

I hereby certify that I celebrated the rites of matrimony Madison Allen and Emilly Carpenter June 5th 1853. Given under my hand this 6th June 1853

J. H. HOGE

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell Cty. Va. I do certify that the following marriages were celebrated by me Viz:

Joseph Harrisson and Margaret Gillespie married February 10th 1852

John Patten and Susannah Hinkle married January 14 1852

Smith Asbury Syndia Christian married Jan 22, 1852. Robert Martin & Sarah Painter married February 18th 1852

Wm. P. Lincus and Mary B. Cecil married April 8th 1852

Josiah Elswick and Elizabeth Compton married June 10th 1852

Elijah McMeans and Elizabeth Bishop married June 25th 1852

John M. Brown and Dorinda Davis married Dec 2nd 1852

Harvey W. McGuire and Rosinda Steel married Dec 14th 1852

Albert P. Asbury and Elizabeth C. Stephenson married Dec 23rd 1852

Paris Robinett and Elizabeth Martin married Dec 23d 1852

The above marriages were celebrated by me since the 1st of January 1852, according to the forms and ceremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Given under my hand this 25th day of Dec. 1852

WM. MCGUIRE

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell Cty. Va.

I hereby certify that I joined in holy wedlock Jackson Reed and Charlotte Moron\*Sep 9th 1852

("Void" written on margin of Register)

\*According to Walter M. Elswick, grandson of this couple, this name is Maynard. (See note by author on page 167.)

Wm. Mullens & Rachel Canada married on Sep 10th 1852

("Void" written on margin of Register)

Wm. Collins and Nancy Lambert June 1852

Jesse Bane and Nancy Reed August 1st 1853. Given under my hand Dec. 5th 1853

("Void" written on margin of Register)

### THOMAS MULLINS

I do hereby certify that I solemnised the rits of matrimony between James Witten and Matilda J. Davidson March 30th 1853

("Void" written on margin of Register)

Also between W. Stowers and Rachel *Feltcher*

Also between Wm. T. Holmes and Julia Cundiff

Also between James Carver & Maryam Repass. Given under my hand this 30th March 1853

WM. E. NEEL

A list of marriages solemnised by Bird Lockhart in the year 1853

Married February 3d 1853 Andrew Bruster and Sarah M. Marrs

Married February 13th Bird W. P. Lochard Susanah E. Barnett

Married Aseby Lochard and Rebecca Bruster April 5th

April 14th Married James Stevenson and Susanah Christian

April 27th married Samuel Robinett and Selah Lambert

July 7th married Bartlett Spence and Sarah Mreed

July 10th married Elisha Ony and Elizabeth Whitt

Sep 8th married Milton Lochart & Rebecca Brown

Sep 28th married Robert Beavers & Lydia E. Brown

Oct 6th married James J. Lewis and Cosby J. McGuire

Nov 2nd married Wesley Baldwin and Elizabeth Quicksel Tazewell County Va.

BIRD LOCHART

To the Clerk of the County Court Va.

This is to certify that on this 14th July 1852 William Stevenson and Frances Repass were legally married by the authority of license issued on 10th July 1852 by S. L. Graham

Respectfully

ISAAC N. NAFF

Tazewell Cty. to wit

I David Young do certify that the following list contains all the marriages celebrated by me within the preseding year

I joined James Mars and Jane E. Harper in holy wedlock on the 9th day February 1853

I joined Jacob F. Saulyers & Martha Jane Puckett in holy wedlock on 3 day March 1853.



I joined Wm. Griffiths and Nancy Green in holy wedlock on 10th day March 1853

I joined George Harper and Marinda Steel in holy wedlock on 12th day April 1853

I joined James Spence and Orlena Sawyers in holy wedlock on the 25th of May 1853

I joined Samuel Meadows & Eleanor Brooks in holy wedlock on 31st May 1853

I joined Levi F. Fulcher and Mary H. Turley in holy wedlock on 30th Oct 1853

I joined John Sawyers & Delila Carter in holy wedlock on 17th Nov. 1853

DAVID YOUNG

Dec 27th 1853

To the Clerks office Tazewell Cty Va.

I hereby certify that I joined Franklin Smith & Purlina Blankenship in holy wedlock on 20th Jan 1853

("Void" written on margin of Register)

I celebrated the rits of matrimony between Henry Loony and Elizabeth Loony

Given under my hand 20th Jan 1853      GEORGE GIBSON  
Virginia Tazewell Co.

I do certify that I solemnized the rits of matrimony on 15th day Nov 1853 at the house of Wm. Stump in said county between Jeremiah Hager and Emely Myers the said Jeremiah Hager was a widower and the said Emely Myers was single and also the said Hager is a smith By trade and the Miss Myers knows how to spin & Weav and dow other House work the said Hager is forty two & the said Miss Myers is thirty the 7th day of June 1853.

Given under my hand this Nov 30 1853      WM. E. NEEL

This is to certify to the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell that on the 25th day of Nov 1852 I celebrated the rites of matrimony between James R. Patterson & Polly C. Mahood

Also between John Elliot & Elizabeth Newton on 22d Dec 1853

Given under my hand this 20th day July 1854

Feb 28th 1853

J. J. GREEVER

To the Clerk of the Court of Tazewell Cty. Va.

I do certify that the following marriage was celebrated by me  
Viz Isaac Elswick and Sarah J. Griffiths Married February 17th 1853.

The above marriages was celebrated by me since the first Jan 1853. Given under my hand this 28th day of February

WM. MCGUIRE

("Void" written on margin of Register)

To S. L. Graham Clerk of Court of Tazewell County Va

This is to certify that on 31st of August 1853 I united in holy matrimony Wm. R. King and hannah Weimer agreeable to a license issued by you.

Given under my hand this 21st day Oct 1853

J. D. VINCEL

July 28 1853

Mr. Samuel L. Graham Sir,

Thomas Bandy and Lilly Christian was married the day and date above written

DAVID PAYNE

Mr. S. L. Graham

This is to certify that I married on the 25th day of December 1853 Miss Louisa Holbrooks and James Brewster

G. W. PAYNE

This is to certify that I joined together in the holy estate of matrimony Jackson Reed and Charlotte Morar.\* Bout Sept the 9th day 1852

And also William Mullins and Rachel Canada about the 10th of Sept 1852

And also William Collins and Nancy Lambert some time in June 1852

And also Jessey Been and Nancy Reed about the first of August 1853

Given under my hand this December the 5 day 1853

THOMAS MULLINS

Va. Tazewell County

I do hereby certify that I solemnized the rites of matrimony between James R. Witten & Matilda S. Davidson

Also between John W. Stowers & Rachel Fletcher

Also between William T. Holmes & Julia Cundiff

Also between James Carver & Mary Ann (?)

Also between Thomas Burrass & Mary Ann Repass.

Given under my hand this the 30 day of March 1853

WILLIAM E. NEEL

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\* According to Walter M. Elswick, grandson of this couple, Charlotte's name was Maynard. (see note by author on page 167.)

Virginia Tazewell County to wit

This is to certify to the Clerk of our Court that on 2 day of January 1853 I did celebrate the Right of matrimony between Franklin Smythe and Purlina Blankenship

Also I did on the 20 day of January 1853 celebrate the Rights of matrimony between Henry Looney Elizabeth Looney

To S. L. Graham C of Tazewell Co

GEORGE GIBSON

This is to certify that 31st of August 1853 I united in holy matrimony William R. King and Hannah Weimer agreeable to a licens issued by you. Given under my hand this 21st day of Oct 1853

JN O. D. VINCEL

This is to certify that on the 28th of Sept I united in holy matrimony James Albert & Eliza Ann Calvert all of this county

Given under my hand 21st day of Sept 1853

JOHN D. VINCIL

This is to certify that I joined together Simeon Payne and Jane Money in the holy state of matrimony on the 14th day of February 1853.

THOMAS MULLINS.

I hereby certify to the clerk of the County court of Tazewell, Va. that on the 6th day of November 1853 by virtue of license from under your hand I solemnized the rites of matrimony between Howard Shortridge & Tabitha A Russell.

Also on the 18th day of *september* 1853 I solemnized the rites of marriage between Abram Beckelheimer & Milenda J. Russell. Given under my hand.

HERNDON MURPHY.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Boyd Owens and Cyrena Osborne on the 20th of January 1853 by Wm. V. Shannon.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between George W Riley and Virginia Bowman on the 27th of January 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between June Sluss and Clarinda Gooldy on the 27th of January 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between John Richardson and Elizabeth French on the 6th day of April 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between William H. Gates and Polly Harper on the 4th of August 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.



Celebrated the rites of matrimony between John S. Moore and Emely Shannon on the 3 of October 1853

by WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between John W. Neel and Eliza Harman on the first of November 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Wesley P. Whitley & Margaret R. Peery on the 2 of November 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

Celebrated the rites of matrimony between Wesley W. Mars and Salatha A. Tabor on the 12 of November 1853 by

WM. V. SHANNON.

I certify that on the 25th day of Oct 1853 I celebrated the rites of marriage between Jefferson Keen & Maragaret Honaker.

THOMAS MULLINS.

I certify to the Clerk of the county court of Tazewell that on the 14 day of Feb. 1853 I celebrated the rites of marriage between Simeon Payne & Jane Muncy

THOMAS MULLINS.

I certify to the clerk of the county court of Tazewell that on the 8th day of Sept 1851 I celebrated the rites of marriage between Isaac W. Lambert and Lucinda Collins

THOS. MULLINS.

I do hereby certify that on the 14th day of April 1853, I joined James Spence and Lucinda Kinder in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

I do hereby certify that on the 14th day of April 1853, I joined Powell Shannon and Mary J. Peery in lawful wedlock

GEO. W. G. BROWNE.

To Clerk County court of Tazewell County va.

I certify that I entered in Holy matrimony William F. Stowers farmer son Andrew Stowers with Mahala Shilling on the 28th day Sept.

Alexander Bailey farmer son of Jesse Bailey with Matilda McDowell daughter of Henry P. McDowell on the 29th Sept 1853.

Given under my hand this Nov 1 day 1853.

JAMES CALFEE.

Note by Author:

The incorrect spelling and other mistakes shown in the foregoing copy of the marriage registers, should be charged jointly to those who celebrated the rites, and to the Clerks and deputy Clerks who recorded same. The tooth of time which has gnawed into these old records must also share this responsibility.

## CHAPTER V.

### COUNTY COURT LAW ORDERS, FROM JUNE 1800 TO MAY 1810. ORDER BOOK No. 1.

The first Court for Tazewell County was held June, 1800, at the residence of Henry Harman, Jr., about three miles northeast of the present Court House, pursuant to the Act of 1799. The Harman farm is now owned by Wm. F. Harman, whose present residence stands practically on the site of the log house in which the first court was held. A former owner of this property tore the old house down and used the logs therein to construct a barn, which barn is now standing a short distance north of the former site of the said house in which the first term of the Court was held.

The names of the Justices, noted at the first term of this Court for Tazewell County, are as follows:

David Ward, Samuel Walker, Robert Wallace, Henry Bowen and David Hanson. James Maxwell qualified as Sheriff and John Ward was appointed Clerk.

The July Term shows the following Justices: David Ward, George Peery, Robert Walker, William Neel, Samuel Walker, Henry Bowen and David Hanson.

The November term shows Justices present: David Ward, George Peery, Samuel Walker, John Peery, John Thompson, Thomas Witten, Hezekiah Harman, Hezekiah Whitt, Thomas Gillespie, William Neel and Joseph Davidson; and new Justices who qualified at this term, viz: William Hall, James Thompson and James Brown.

Several pages of the first part of the County Court Law Order Book are missing. However, beginning with the first word of the said book as it now exists, all that remains of the record for the *June Term, 1800*, is as follows:

“Hezekiah Harman being appointed yesterday to lay off the land offered by William Peery & Sam’l Ferguson for the use of the County made report that he had laid off twenty three acres and twentyeight square poles ten acres and twenty eight square poles being of Fergusons land thirteen acres of Wm. Peerys land where-

upon the Court were unanimously of opinion that the public buildings should be erected on the land so laid off and that William George James Witten and John Croquette do lay off and circumscribe two acres for the purpose of building the public Buildings for this county and the balance of the land remain for (the) benefit of the County only saving and reserving to the said Peery four quarter acre lots out of the land he (this) day conveyed to the County and reserving to the said Ferguson two quarter acre lots where out of the land he this day conveyed to the (co).

Joseph Moore came into Court and profered to lay off the lots for a town where the public buildings are to be erected in quarter acre lots for the price of 33 1-3 cents each and it is ordered that William George, James Witton and John Crockett do attend as Commissioners and direct the surveying of the lots to Morrow.

Absent: David Ward, Robert Wallace & Saml Walker.

Ordered that David Ward and Samuel Walker be commissioners to contract for the building of a Jail for this County and that they do advertise the same in the most public place to be let to the lowes bidder at next Court.

Present: David Ward & Samuel Walker Gent.

Absent: Henry Bowen & David Hanson Gent.

Ordered that Henry Bowen & David Hanson be commissioners to attend the running of the line between this County & Russell and that they notify the Court of Russell of their appointment.

Ordered that Court adjourn until Court in Course and that they will meet next Court at the place appointed for erecting the public buildings for this county

DAVID WARD."

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In the short time intervening between the adjournment of the June term and the beginning of the July term a temporary structure of buck-eye logs was built in a day by an assembly of citizens from all parts of the county, who brought their axes, broad axes, etc. It is said that the cost to the county of this temporary temple of justice was ten dollars.

*"At a Court held for Tazewell County July the 1st 1800 in the new Court House according to adjournment of the last Court*

Present David Ward, George Peery Robert Wallace William Neel Samuel Walker Henry Bowen Thomas Witten and David Hanson Gent"



The County Road established from Henry Marrs' Mill to the top of the Valley Rigde & from the way that an old path formerly went to James Cecil's thence down the Baptist Valley on the side of said Valley next to the head of Sandy to Joseph Bolands, and that Isaac Dailey be surveyor of said road."

A road is ordered to be cut from the old County line to the top of Clinch Mountain, and that Henry Bowen, Gent, is assigned to furnish William Garrison, Surveyor of said Road, with a list of tithables.

A road is ordered to be cut from the mouth of Aps Valley up said Valley to the head and from thence to William Peery's. And George Peery is to be Surveyor of the road to the top of Stony Ridge. William Taylor is appointed Surveyor of the road from the top of the Stony Ridge to where it intersects with the Bluestone road.

"John Peery, upon application for building a water grist mill upon his own land, it is ordered that a writ of Adquaddamnum directed to the Sheriff of this County be granted, commanding said Sheriff to summon twelve good and lawful freeholders of this County to meet on the lands of said John Peery, on the twelfth day of this month on oath according to law, and make report of their proceeding to this Court."

Thomas Gillespie appointed Guardian of Levisa Bowen, infant of John Bowen, deceased.

Orders signed by Samuel Walker.

*August Term:* "On the motion of Hezekiah Harman, Surveyor of the County of Tazewell, he is permitted to lay off and circumscribe the Town lots out of the lands offered by William Peery and Samuel Ferguson for the use of the County to be sold for the benefit of the County."

James Stokes asked leave of the Court to build a water grist mill on his own land and a writ of adquaddamnum was awarded.

Ordered that Isaac Bristow be Surveyor of the road from the County line to the lower fork of the Whetstone Run and that Henry Bowen Gent is assigned to furnish him with a list of tithables.

"The Court having taken in consideration the propriety of building a Court House, ordered that David Ward, Samuel Walker James Thompson and George Peery Gent be appointed commisioners to set up publickly on 1st day of November Ct. next and let the build-

ing thereof go to the person who will build it cheapest, and that they the commissioners give public notice hereof in writing in the County of Russell, Wythe, Washington and Tazewell. an The said Court House to be finished on or before the first day of May, 1802."

"Ordered that John Grills, William Hall, Josiah Wynne and Henry Harman, Gent, do view and work out the nearest and best way for a wagon road leading from William Hall's in Burk's Garden to this Ct. house" etc.

Orders signed by David Ward.

*September Term.* "Thomas Gillespie, William Garrison, Obadiah Gent and Robert Barns, being appointed to view and mark out the nearest and best way for a road from the Court House into the River road between Henry Marrs and John Greenups made their report. Ordered that the same be cut accordingly."

"Ordered that John Peery have leave to build his mill and dam agreeable to the verdict returned by the jury on his making good the highway that will be injured by the said dam and making a slope for the passage of fish." Orders signed G. Peery.

*October Term.* "John Peery, Joseph Davidson, Thomas Witten, William George, John Thompson, Hezekiah Whitt, Thomas Gillespy, Hezekiah Harman and John Tollet produced a commission from his Excellency the Governor appoint them Justices of the peace in and for the County of Tazewell and there upon they took the necessary Oaths of Office and took their seats accordingly."

"Ordered that John Powers be Constable in this County."

"Ordered that a County levy of twenty-five cents be collected from each tithable in the County." Orders signed by David Ward.

*November Term.* The first Grand Jury is empaneled, which is composed of the following persons: Andrew Thompson, foreman, James Witten, William Brooks, Edley Maxwell, James Sloan, Thomas Brewster, William Witten, William Wynne, James Moore, James Cecil, William Cecil, George Asberry, Timothy Roark, John Young, James Lockhart, John McIntosh, William Kidd and John Peery, Gent.

William Hall, James Thompson and James Brown, qualified as Justices of the Peace.

William George, granted license to keep an ordinary at Tazewell Court House for the term of one year.



William Neel and Henry Harman were appointed Commissioners to meet with the Commissioners of Wythe County for the purpose of running the dividing line between the Counties of Tazewell and Wythe.

Orders signed by G. Peery.

At a quarterly session of said Court, held on the 5th day of November, 1800, for the trial of cases, the following order was entered:

“Ordered that Francis Smith be allowed one fourth part of the allowance to be made to James M. Campbell as Attorney for the Commonwealth for the services of said Smith in favor of the Commonwealth at November Term, 1800.”

Orders signed by David Ward.

*December Term.* Thomas Peery granted leave to keep an ordinary at his house.

#### 1801

*January Term.* William George and William Peery qualified as Coroners of the County under a Commission of the Governor dated September 13, 1800.

“Ordered that the following persons be recommended to the Governor as fit and capable persons to be appointed to fill the following offices: Joseph Davidson, to act as Colonel Commandant for the 112th Regiment; John Thompson, Major of the 1st Battalion of said Regiment; John Ward, Major in the 2nd Battalion of the 112th Regiment; Archibald Thompson, Hezekiah Harman and Andrew Davidson, to act as Captains in the 1st Battalion of said Regiment; John Davidson, Ambrose Hall and John Maxwell, to act as Lieutenants in the 1st Battalion of said Regiment; Elias Harman, John Cartmill and James Peery, to act as Ensigns in said Battalion; George Davidson, to act as Captain of a Company of Light Infantry of the 1st Battalion of said Regiment; and William Peery, Jr. for Lieutenant and William Williams Ensign of the 1st Battalion; Thomas Ferguson, James Witten and Thomas Greenup, to act as Captains in the 2nd Battalion of the 112th. Regiment; Rees Bowen Abraham Eheart and William Smith, Lieutenants in 2nd Battalion of said Regiment; Hugh Wilson, John Cecil and Samuel Belshey, Ensigns in 2nd Battalion of said Regiment; Samuel Witten, Captain



of a Company of Light Infantry in the 2nd Battalion of said Regiment and William Witten Jr. Lieutenant, and Rees Gillespie Ensign, in said Battalion."

Orders signed by David Ward.

At a Quarter-Session, held *March 3*, 1801, the second Grand Jury was empaneled, to-wit: Archibald Thompson, foreman, John Compton, Andrew Davidson, Henry McBroom, Shadrack White, Robert Higginbotham, Samuel Ferguson, Thomas Greenup, William Dills, Jeremiah Witten, Ebenezer Brewster, Henry Asberry, Elijah King, William Smith, Smith Deskins, John Peery and Timothy Roark.

David Ward and John Tollett qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Andrew Thompson's Certificate of Qualification as Commissioner of the Revenue of this County, for the year of 1801.

*May Term.* Daniel Sheffey qualified to practice law.

The Third Grand Jury empaneled, is composed of the following persons, to-wit: Henry Harman, foreman, Edley Maxwell, James Lockheart, Richard Pemberton, Abraham Davis, Daniel Harman, William Wynne, John Peery, William Davis, Richard Oney, William Brooks, Jeremiah Witten, Thomas Greenup, William Cecil, James Witten and Larkin Kidd.

Orders signed by David Ward.

*June Term.* James Thompson qualified to practice law.

*July Term.* "Ordered that the Tavern rates for this County be as follows to wit

For a Dinner 25 Cents, a breakfast 17 cents, Lodging in clean sheets 8 cents, Whiskey by the half pint 8 cents, Rum French Brandy or wine by the half pt 25 cents, Cider beer or Mathagalum by the quart 8 cents, Peech or apple Brandy by the half pint 12½ cents. Corn Oats or barley by the gallon 8 cents, Stalage with hay or fodder for 12 hours 12½ cents, Pasturage for 12 hours 12½ cents."

Orders signed by David Hanson.

*September Term.* John Cecil appointed Commissioner for 1802.

John Ward mentioned as Clerk of the County.

Joseph Moore appointed as Deputy Clerk.

Orders signed by David Ward.

*September Term.* "This Court proceeds to make up in their minutes an account of all expenses incurred by the Court under the authority of the Law, in that case made & provided the following are Claimants of the County towit

The Clerk of this County for exofficio services for the year 1800 & 1801 \$50.00 The same for examining the Commissioners Books for the year 1801 \$10.00 To the State atto for the year 1800 \$60.00 To the States Atto for the year 1801 30.00 To the Sheriff fo exofficio services for the year 1800 & 1801 \$50.00

The claims allowed last Sept Court \$12.50 William Wall for one old wolf \$2.08 Henry Harman Senr for three old wolves \$6.25 Archd. Thompson for two old Ditto \$4.16 Same one Ditto 2.08 Joseph Hicks two old Ditto 4.16 John Davidson one old Ditto 2.08 Jacob Hager Same 2.08 John Hamilton Same 2.08 Archd. Bailey Same 2.08 George Webb Same 2.08 Henry Harman Senr for his Services as Commissioner for running the County line between Wythe & Tazewell 15½ days at \$2 31.00 Joseph Moore for laying off the lots in Jeffersonville 12.00 Hezekiah Harman for furnishing a book to record the Land Warrants in his office 3.00 David Ward Saml. Walker & George Peery Commissioners appointed for letting out and contracting for the building of a Court House 20.00 Samuel Walker & David Ward commissioners for letting & contracting the building of a jail 6.00 John Pruitt for one old wolf head 2.08 William W Brown two old Ditto 4.16 Same One Ditto 2.08 Christopher Marrs for erecting a line posts at the forks of a Road 1.00 James Peery Senr for one old wolf head 2.08 Thomas Peery allowed for making benches for the court to set on 2.00 William George for Brandy at letting out the building of the Court house 1.50 Thomas Harrison for rum & Brandy at selling the Front & back lotts 4.16 William Williams for building a Court house for this County 938.00 William Smythe for building a jail for this County 220.00 William Williams for making certain repairs to the Courthouse which is to be completed agt next Court 15.00 Hezekiah Harman for surveying the public land 5.25. John Crockett for furnishing stamp paper 4.34 William George John Crockett James Witten and Thomas Harrison Commissioners to attend the laying off the Town lotts 16.00 Henry Harman for trouble sustained in holding the first Court at his house 2.00 (Total) 1481.94."

Orders signed by David Ward.

*October Term.* John Campbell qualified to practice law.

James Maxwell Sheriff of the County.

*Dec. T.* Joshua Day appointed Constable in Captain Hezekiah Harman's Company

1802

*January Term.* Henly Chapman qualified to practice law in this Court.

*Mar. T.* "Ordered that Rees Bowen be recommended to his Excellency the Governor as a fit and proper person to act as Captain in the 2nd Battallion of the 112th Regiment, in the room of Thomas Ferguson who was heretofore recommended and has resigned his claim thereto; and that Hugh Wilson be recommended to the Governor as a fit and capable person to act as Lieutenant in the 2nd Battallion of the 112th Regiment in the room of Reese Bowen, promoted. Ordered that Brittain Smith be recommended as a fit and proper person to act as Ensign in 2nd Battallion of 112th Regiment."

William McBroom qualified as Constable in this County.

Hezekiah Harman, Surveyor, had his brothers Elias and Henry Harman appointed his deputies.

*June Term.* Robert Barns is noted as deceased, at this term.

George Peery Esq. qualified as Sheriff of this County, having been appointed as such by James Monroe, Esqr., Governor of Virginia.

Andrew Peery qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*July T.* "George Peery, Robert Wallace and William Neel are recommended to the Executive as proper and fit persons to act as Sheriff of this County for the year 1803."

*Aug. T.* "John Cecill Commissioner of the Revenue.

"Ordered that Thomas Harrisson have leave to keep an ordinary at his house in Jeffersonville for the term of one year, on his giving bond and security in the Clerk's Office, according to law."

*Sept. T.* "Ordered that David Peery be appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the year 1803."

Isaac Brown qualified as Deputy Surveyor of the County.

*Oct. T.* Peter Dills and Elijah King appointed Constables.

Tyron Gibson presented for "Profane cursing on the 29th day of May last at Bowen's race ground" and also present said Gibson for "challenging Charles Young to fight at same time and place."



John Ratcliff and Peter Dills fined \$8.00 each for failing to attend as Grand Jurors.

(Noted that James Maxwell was Sheriff at Dec. T. 1801.)

*Nov. T.* John Goodwin appointed Constable.

### 1803

*Jan. T.* On motion of Phebe Harman, widow of Daniel Harman, deceased, leave is granted her to administration on his estate.

*Mar. T.* "The Court having taken into consideration the propriety of carrying into effect the law concerning poor Schools have considered that it would not be proper in this County".

*May T.* "Ordered that William Ferguson be fined 83 cts. for profane swearing in the presence of the Court."

*June T.* The Court appointed the following Constables: John Stobaugh, John Powers, Jesse Wilson, William Clark, John Lard, John Davis and John Goodwin.

On the resignation of John Ward, who was Major in the 2nd Batallion of the 112th Regiment, the Court recommended Hezekiah Harman Gent as a fit person to fill the said Office.

Ambrose Hall recommended to the Governor as a fit person to act as Captain in the 1st Batallion in the 112th Regiment in the Room of Hezekiah Harman, promoted; and that Elias Harman be recommended as Lieutenant in the room of Ambrose Hall, promoted.

John Day recommended to act as Ensign in the room of Elias Harman, promoted.

Richard Brooks appointed Constable.

*July T.* "Ordered that James Thompson be appointed Attorney for the Commonwealth in the room of James M. Campbell."

"Ordered that David Waggoner and Abraham Davis be fined for raising a riot and for swearing two oaths in the presence of the Court."

"Ordered that Robert Wallace, William Neel and Samuel Walker be recommended to act as Sheriff for this County for the year 1803."

*Aug. T.* John Stobaugh presented by the Grand Jury for a breach of the peace, "by insulting and choaking John Odare on the 9th day of this inst. at the dwelling house of William Walls, by the information of John Odare yeoman."

William Ferguson and Edward McDonald presented for fighting on last Court day at Jeffersonville.

Then follow several indictments of Overseers of the roads for failure to keep roads in repair.

Samuel Lusk presented for assaulting and beating William Jefferey.

John Laird and John Laughry presented for fighting.

Also same against George Davidson and William Smith.

These are sample entries of the character of indictments.

Felony indictments are not very frequent. It seems that most of the fighting is of the more harmless variety, with no other weapons than those furnished by nature.

*Sept. T.* "David Peery produced an account of his services as Comr. of the Revenue, and the Court have considered that fifty six days were requisite for the said Commissioner to perform the services aforesaid, ordered that it be certified to the Auditor of Public accounts."

Ordered that Samuel Witten be appointed Comr. of the Revenue for the year 1804.

*Oct. T.* Alexander Walker qualified to practice law in this Court.  
*Nov. T.* Enos Moore appointed Constable. John Langhry appointed Constable.

1804

*March T.* Thomas Harrison and William George licensed to keep Ordinaries in their respective homes in Jeffersonville.

"Ordered that the following persons be recommended to his Excellency, the Governor and the honorable privy council as proper and fit persons to fill the offices to their several names annexed: Andrew Peery Captain in the 1st Batallion of the 112th Regiment in the room of Andrew Davidson, resigned; Thomas Cartmill Lieutenant, in the room of John Davidson, George Davidson, Jr. Ensign in the room of John Cartmill, Elias Harman Captain, Jeremiah Lambert, Lieutenant; and Stephen Lambert, Ensign in said Harman's Company; John Day, Lieutenant in the room of Elias Harman & Elijah Kidd, Ensign in the room of John Day; David Peery, Ensign in the room of James Peery; Jonathan Davis, Ensign in the Rifle Company, in the room of William Williams Hugh Wilson, Captain in the 2nd Batallion of the 112th Regiment, in the room of Rees Bowen, resigned; James Lockhart, Lieutenant in the room of

Hugh Wilson, promoted; Charles Young, Ensign, William Smith, Captain in the room of Thomas Greenup resigned, Thomas Bruster, Ensign.

*Dec. T.* Henry Harman qualified a Justice of the Peace.

Certificates of the qualification of the following officers were filed, viz: Hez Harman, as Major for the 2nd Batallion of the 112th Regiment etc. Ambrose Hall, Captain in the 1st Batallion of said Regiment; Elias Harman, Lieutenant in 1st Batallion.

1805

*May T.* William Clark qualified as Costable.

*June T.* "Ordered that the same Commissioners that were appointed to let out the building of stocks for this County, be appointed to have a pillory and whipping post added to the same and give a plan thereof to the undertakers."

Ambrose Hall appointed deputy for Robert Wallace, Sheriff.

Richard Brooks appointed a Constable.

Ordered that William Neel, Samuel Walker and Henry Bowen be recommended as fit persons to act as Sheriff of Tazewell County for the year 1806.

*July T.* Elias Harman recommended as a fit person to act as Captain in the 1st Batallion of the 112th Regiment, to take command of part of the Company formerly commanded by Hezekiah Harman who has been promoted.

*Augt. T.* Henry Harman appointed to celebrate the rites of matrimony in this county in the room of John Tollett, resigned.

"John Ward came into Court and resigned his office as Clerk, whereupon the Court proceeded to the appoinment of another, and John Crockett was appointed Clerk."

Joseph Moore was appointed Deputy Clerk.

*Sept. T.* John Powers appointed Constable.

*Oct. T.* James Jones appointed Constable.

Samuel Witten appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the year 1806.

*Nov. T.* John Belcher appointed Constable.

Thirty-six wolf heads allowed and paid for at \$2.08 each.

Rev. John McClure, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony



1806

*June T.* Jephtha F. Moore and William Thompson qualified to practice law in this Court.

Frederick Cook qualified as Constable.

William Neel qualified as Sheriff of the County, and John Cecil and Samuel Cecil qualified as deputies.

The following persons recommended to the Governor as officers, viz: "Jeremiah Lambert and David Peery for Lieutenants John Justice, James Conley, Adam Harman and William Shannon as Ensigns, all for the 1st Batallion, 112th Regiment; and John Cecil as Captain of 2nd Batallion, William Gillespie, Captain of said Batallion; James Peery, John Ratliff and John Smith as Lieutenants in said Batallion of 112th Regiment; Joseph Oney, Rees Thompson, Hezekiah Oney and William Higginbotham as Ensigns in 2nd Batallion.

Ordered that the following Militia Officers be recommended viz: "John Thompson for Colonel of 112th Regiment in the room of Joseph Davidson, resigned; Hezekiah Harman to Command the 1st Batallion instead of the 2nd; Archibald Thompson to command the 2nd Batallion; David Peery as Captain in the room of Archibald Thompson, promoted; Adam Harman, Lieutenant in the place of John Maxwell, resigned."

Ambrose Hall qualified as deputy Sheriff.

"Ordered that William Neel, Samuel Walker and Henry Bowen be recommended as fit persons to act as Sheriff for the year 1807."

Thomas Burriss recommended to act as Ensign in the room of David Peery, promoted.

*Augt. T.* George Rinehart appointed Constable.

*Sept. T.* Samuel Witten recommended as Captain in the room of James Witten resigned and Jeremiah Lambert to act as Lieutenant in the room of Elias Harman, promoted, and John Day as Lieutenant in the room of Ambrose Hall, promoted.

George Davidson, William Taylor, Elias Harman, John Laird, James Peery, John Lesley, James Witten, William Williams, Adam Harman, William Ward and Thomas Harrisson were recommended as fit persons to be added to the Commission of the Peace for this County.

Oct. T. William Harman appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for 1807.

Nov. T. John Chapman qualified to practice law in this Court. Grand Jury, at this term, found no indictments.

## 1807

Jan. T. John Wilson appointed Constable.

June T. John Davis (little) appointed Constable.

The following persons recommended for appointment, viz: "Samuel Lusk, Lieutenant in Captain Andrew Peery's Company, George Rinehart, Ensign in said Company; William Shannon, Lieutenant in Captain George Davidson's Company; William Brown, Ensign in said Company, Daniel Horton, Ensign in Captain William Smith's Company; James P. Thompson (Burke's Garden), Captain in a Company of Cavalry; Isaac Brown, First Lieutenant in said Company; George Peery (William's Son), 2nd Lieutenant in said Company; John Wynne, Cornet in said Company; George Steel, Lieutenant in Captain John Cecil's Company; David Fannon, Junr. Ensign in said Company; William Higginbotham, Lieutenant in Captain Wm. Gillespie's Company; William Asberry, Ensign in said Company."

At this Court a number of chancery causes were heard and determined.

Samuel Walker, Henry Bowen and David Hanson were recommended as fit persons to be appointed Sheriff for the year 1808.

July T. George Steel appointed Constable.

Sept. T. Fleming Trigg qualified to practice law in this Court. Several persons were fined \$.83 each for profane swearing.

Thomas Peery (George's Son) appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the year 1808.

Oct. T. Allowances made to pay for thirty-six wolf heads at \$2.08 each, which were killed during the year 1807.

Nov. T. John Davis and Geo. Steel qualified as Constables.

"It is Ordered to be certified to the Register of the Land Office that Polley Dials is the youngest child of Andrew Dials, decd & that the same Polly is now 21 years of age and that the said Andrew Dials was killed by the Indians in 1787"

John Belcher and John Wilson qualified as Constables.

1808

*March T.* Richard Brooks appointed Constable.

*April T.* Henry Smith appointed deputy Surveyor of the County.

John Cecil appointed Captain of the Light Infantry of the 112th Regiment.

Samuel Lusk appointed Lieutenant, same Regiment.

John Hall appointed Constable.

(May Term, 1808, missing)

*June T.* "David Young exhibited in Court a license to preach, and took the oaths required by law, whereupon he is exempted from Militia duty."

Henry Bowen qualified as Sheriff of the County under a commission from the Governor.

William Gillespie appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Thomas Peery qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for the County.

*July T.* George Rinehart qualified as Constable.

*Sept. T.* Thomas Chambers qualified to practice law in this Court.

William Day qualified as Constable.

1809

*April T.* "Ordered that the following persons be recommended to the Governor and honorable privy council to be appointed to fill the following offices: William Shannon, Captain; William Brown, Lieutenant; James Harrisson, Ensign; James Peery (son of Thomas), Captain; Rees Thompson, Lieutenant; Richard Brooks, Ensign; John Ratliff, Captain; Daniel Horton, Lieutenant; James Vandike, Ensign"—all in the 112th Regiment.

"Ordered that John Cecil, John Laird, John Wynne, Isaac Brown and William Taylor be recommended to his Excellency the Governor and honorable privy counsel as fit and proper persons to be added to the commission of the Peace in this County."

"Ordered that John Peery Esqr be appointed to solemnize the rights of matrimony in the room of Henry Harman decd."

*May T.* "Orderd that John Cecil be paid \$6.00 for keeping this Court house clean for the year 1807."

Claims for killing 35 wolves at \$2.08 each were allowed by the Court.



“Ordered that a levy of 50 cents each be laid on each tithable for the county levy and 12½ cents be laid for the Poor rates.”

James Peery, son of Thomas, appointed Commissioner of the Revenue of the County for the year 1810.

*June T.* Daniel Horton and William Smith were appointed Constables in the 2nd Batallion.

“Ordered that James Thompson, Prosecuting Attorney in this Court be allowed the sum of \$60.00 per annum for his services to this time and the sum of \$100.00 be allowed him for 20 months services prior thereto.”

David Hanson, George Peery and William Neel are recommended to the Governor and Honorable Privy Council as fit and proper persons to execute the office of Sheriff in the County of Tazewell for the year 1810.

Allowance made, at \$2.08 each, for killing of fourteen wolves.

“Henry Bowen, John Thompson and John Ward appointed Commissioners to meet three commissioners of the County Court of Washington on the top of Clinch Mountain at the gap formerly called Cookseys gap on the 1st day of July next to agree on the manner and condition of opening a wagon road from Tazewell Court house to the Salt Works in Washington County.”

*Augt. T.* John Day appointed Constable in the 112th Regiment.

*Sept. T.* “Ordered that the following persons be recommended to his Excellency the Governor and Honorable Privy Council as fit and proper persons to be appointed to the following offices in the 112th Regiment, viz: Hezekiah Harman, Colonel; Archibald Thompson, Major in 1st Batallion and Ambrus Hall in the 2nd Batallion; John Day Captain in 2nd Batallion; James Conley, Lieutenant; Peter Gose, Ensign; Isaac Brown, Captain of the Cavalry; George Peery, 1st Lieutenant; John, Wynne, 2nd Lieut. Elias H. Neel as Cornett in said Company of Cavalry.”

*Oct. T.* James Jones appointed Constable.

*Nov. T.* John Cecil, John Laird, Isaac Brown Qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Hezekiah Harman qualified as Colonel of the 112th Regiment of the Militia of this Commonwealth and Ambrus Hall qualified as Major in said Regiment, under commissions issued by John Tyler, Esqr, Governor of Virginia.

David Young having proven to the satisfaction of the Court that he is a legal licensed preacher he was authorized to solemnize the rites of matrimony in this County.

*Dec. T.* William Taylor qualified as Justice of the Peace.

## 1810

*Jan. T.* John Wynne qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

Henry Bowen appointed Constable in the 1st Bat., 112 Regt.

*Feb. T.* John Belcher appointed Constable for one year in the 2nd Batallion.

David young is authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony, as a local preacher.

*Mar. T.* Peter Gose qualified as Ensign in the 112th Regiment.

*Apr. T.* "It is Ordered by the Court that George Peery and David Hanson Esqr be appointed commissioners to superintend an election for Overseers of the Poor instanter."

This is the first election for local officers noted in the records.

Thomas ONeel qualified to practice law in this Court.

"Ordered that the following persons be recommended to his Excellency, the Governor and Honorable privy council as fit and proper persons to be appointed as the following officers in the 112th Regiment, Viz: Samuel Lusk, Captain; George Rinehart Lieutenant; John Shannon, Ensign; Thomas Burriss, Lieutenant, in the room of Adam Harman, resigned; Daniel Harman, Ensign; John Lambert, Lieutenant.

*May T.* William Gillespie appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the County for the year 1811.

## CHAPTER VI.

LAW ORDER RECORDS COUNTY COURT, BOOK NUMBER 2, FROM  
JUNE TERM, 1810 TO MAY TERM, 1817

1810

*June T.* "At a Court of quarter Session held for the County of Tazewell, the 26th day of June 1810. Present David Hanson, Thomas Gillespie, William Neel, John Laird & William Taylor Gent."

"William Brooks senr. foreman, Peter Dills, Joshua Day Henry Harman Junr. Howard Bane, Henry Shrader, William Maxwell, Stephen Deskins, John Davis (little) Henry Asberry, William Griffiths, Charles Young, Sam Young, William Garrison, John Power, David Peery, Jeremiah Witten, Alexander Sawyers, David Young and Richard Ony were sworn a Grand Jury to make inquest for the body of this County, who having received their charge withdrew from the bar to consider of their presentments."

"Absent William Neel Gent, Present David Ward Absent D. Hanson Gent."

"A Power of Attorney from William Fletcher, Joshua Day, Edward Milam, James Milam, Henry Pruett and Aron Fletcher to Lewis Milam, was acknowledged in Court by the said Joshua Day, Edward Milam, Aron Fletcher and Henry Pruett, and proven as to the acknowledgment of Williams Fletcher by the oath of Henry Pruett, Aron Fletcher and Edward Milam, and ordered to be recorded as to them."

"A List of Insolvents for the year 1809 was exhibited in court by the Sheriff and allowed and Ordered to be certified to the Auditor of public accounts."

"Absent D. Ward Gent. Present John Wynne Gent."

"Ordered that Peter Dills be appointed Overseer of the Road in the room of John Compton Senr. and that with the usual hands he keep the same in repair."

"Present Wm. Neel Gent."

"An appraisement of the Estate of Henry Harman dec'd was returned to Court and ordered to be recorded."

"Present David Ward Gent."



“David Hanson exhibited in Court a Commission from his Excellency John Tyler esq. Governor of this Commonwealth appointing him Sheriff for this County, whereupon he with William Neel, Thomas Witten, Henry Bowen and John Cecil entered into the bond required by law, and took the oaths required by law”

John Powers, John Wilson and Lawrence Murry appointed Constables of the County to act in the 1st Batallion, for a period of two years.

Adam Harman appointed Constable of the County to act in the Second Batallion for a term of two years.

*July T.* William Patton qualified as deputy Sheriff.

1811

*April T.* “It is ordered by the Court that the jailer of this County be allowed twenty-five cents per day for dieting of Debtors confined in the jail of this County.”

*May T.* Wm. Smith Gentleman, qualified to practice law in this court.

“Ordered that William Gillespie Comr. of the Revenue in this County be allowed Eighty five Dollars for his Services . . . . for the present year.”

“Ordered that William Witten be appointed Comr. of the Revenue for this County. . . .”

*June T.* John George qualified as deputy Sheriff; William Peery and Daniel Horton appointed Constables to act in the second Batallion, 112 Regiment.”

“Ordered that Thomas Harrisson and Jenny George be licensed to Keep Ordinaries in their houses in Jeffersonville”

“Ordered that John Belcher, William Smith and John Wilson be appointed Constables to act in the second Batallion of the 112 Regiment, and that William Day be appointed act. Constable in the Second Batallion in the 112 Regiment.”

William Hall, John Peery and Joseph Davidson were recommended to the Governor as proper persons to be appointed Sheriff of this County for the year 1812.

*Nov. T.* Lewis Amiss qualified to practice law in this Court.

“Ordered that William Brown be recommended to the Governor as a fit and proper person to be appointed Captain in the room of William Shannon resigned, in the infantry & 112 regiment, and

Henry Harman Lieutenant in the room of William Brown promoted, and Daniel Justice Jnr Ensign in the said Company, and Henry Davidson Ensign in room of John Shannon, and Philip Lambert Ensign in the room of John Justice resigned."

1812

*Jan. T.* "ordered that Thomas Witten, William Taylor and John Laird, Gent. be appointed Commissioners to settle with David Hanson, Sheriff of this County for the collection of the County levy for the year 1810 and 1811, and return the statement thereof"

"Ordered that Henry Davidson be appointed Constable in the first Battallion. . . ."

*May T.* John Williams qualified to practice law in this court.

Joseph D. Peery appointed Comr of the Revenue for one year.

*June T.* Thomas Cassidy and John Powers appointed constables in the first Battallion for a term of two years.

"Ordered that William Witten Comr of the Rev. be allowed \$100 for his services for the present year."

"Ordered that Henry Bowen be recommended to his Excellency the Governor and honorable privy Council as a fit person to be appointed Major in the second Batallion & 112 Regiment in the room of Archibald Thompson, resigned, and that Hiram Witten be recommended as a fit person to be appointed Ensign in the Second Battallion 112 Regiment in Captain Cecil's rifle Company".

"William Hall exhibited in Court a Commission from George Wm. Smith (Gov. of Va. bearing date the 11th of July last past appointing him Sheriff of the County of Tazewell. . . ." and he qualified as such. John B. George, on motion of said Sheriff, was appointed by the Court as his deputy.

"Ordered that Ambrose Hall, Elias Harman, Samuel C. Witten, Archibald Thompson and John Lasley be recommended to his Excellency the Governor, and honorable privy Council as fit and proper persons to be added to the Commission of the peace in this County."

Ordered that James Milam be appointed Constable in the First Battallion & etc.

Thomas Peery and William Griffitts Jr., be recommended to be appointed Ensigns in the Second Battallion 112 Regiment of the Militia of Virginia.

“Ordered that Jeremiah Claypoole, Daniel Horton, William Gillespie, William Ward and Henry Bailey be recommended to his Excellency the Governor &c. as fit and proper persons to be added to the Commission of the Peace in this county.”

“Ordered that William Hall, David Ward, and John Peery Gentlemen, be recommended to his Excellency & etc. as fit and proper persons to be appointed Sheriff for this county for the year 1813.”

*Oct. T.* “Ordered that Isaac Brown and William Taylor Gent. be appointed as valuers of lands under the Act entitled “An act concerning Land”.

*Nov. T.* Granville Henderson qualified to practice law in this Court.

## 1813

*June T.* John Wilson, Wm. Day, William Peery, William Smith and Daniel Horton appointed Constables &c.

*July T.* William Hall qualified as Sheriff of the County.

*Sept. T.* Daniel Horton recommended to the Governor as a fit person to be appointed Captain in the room of John Ratliff resigned, in the Second Battalion 112 Regiment, and Wm. Griffiths was recommended for Lieutenant in the room of Daniel Horton, promoted, Hiram Witten recommended for Lieutenant in the room of George Steele resigned; and John Witten recommended as Ensign in the room of Hiram Witten, promoted.

Daniel Horton and Peter Gose recommended to the Governor & etc. as proper persons to be added to the Commission of the Peace in this County.

“Ordered that William Thompson Junr. be appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the year 1814.”

*Oct. T.* John B. George qualified as deputy Sheriff.

Henry P. George appointed deputy Sheriff.

## 1814

*May T.* The following persons were ordered to be recommended to the Governor for appointment to the offices named, viz: Henry Davidson for Lieutenant in Samuel Lusk's Company in the room of George Rinehart resigned; John Shannon Ensign; Thomas Brown, Ensign in Daniel Horton's Company; Robert Peery Ensign in Isaac Brown's Light Horse Company in room of Elias H. Neel resigned;



Evans Peery Ensign in David Peery's Company in room of Daniel Harman resigned. Additional Commissioners of the Peace: Thomas Harrisson, Junr., James Peery, Senior, and Ambrose Hall.

*June T.* John Belcher, Travis Kendle, Henry Creswell, William Day, Thomas Cassiday, Lewis Milam, Cornelius Shannon, and Joshua Peery, appointed Constables for the term of two years.

John Gillespie recommended for Lieutenant in Capt. David Peery's Company. Wm. Davis recommended as Ensign.

*Aug. T.* Thomas Harrisson, James Peery Senr, and Ambrose Hall, qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Frederick Cook appointed Constable.

### 1815

*Jan. T.* "William Gillespie Comr. of the Revenue being called away in the service of his Country, his brother Robert Gillespie is appointed his assistant."

David Ward qualified as Sheriff of the County, having been appointed by the Governor on the 19th day of August, 1814.

"Ordered that Thomas Peery of Abbs Valley be appointed Lieutenant in Captain William Gillespie's Company now in service and that the same be certified to the Governor."

*May T.* Alexander Ward and John B. George appointed deputy Sheriffs.

*June T.* John Belcher and John Wilson, appointed Constables. William Smith recommended for Justice of the Peace.

John Brown appointed a Constable.

*Aug. T.* Hiram Witten recommended for appointment as Captain of a rifle Company in the room of Captain John Cecil, resigned.

John Witten recommended for Lieutenant in the room of Hiram Witten promoted, and Thomas Brown, Ensign.

*Sept. T.* John B. George and William Smith recommended to be appointed Justices of the Peace.

Ordered that Robert Ward be appointed Comr. of the Revenue for the ensuing year.

*Nov. T.* Hiram Witten took the oath as required by law as Captain of a rifle Company etc.

*Dec. T.* Ordered that Thomas O Neel Gent prosecute in this Court on behalf of the Commonwealth until James Thompson returns from Richmond etc. or until his successor is appointed.

1816.

*Jan. T.* William Smith qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

*Feb. T.* John B. George qualified as a justice of the Peace.

*May T.* "On the motion of John Deskins who made satisfactory proof to the Court that his left Ear was bit off in a fight with John Jones by the said John Jones, it is therefore ordered that the same be Recorded."

*June T.* John B. George qualified as deputy Sheriff.

"Ordered that John Peery, Joseph Davidson and Thomas Witten be recommended to his Excellency the Governor as fit persons to Execute the office of Sheriff of this County for the ensuing year."

"It is ordered by the Court that the Sheriff collect of each tithe sum of forty four cents as a county levy to defray the Expenses of the County for the ensuing year."

"Ordered that John B. George be recommended to his Excellency, the Governor, to be first Lieutenant in a Company of Cavalry in the room of George Peery resigned; that John Barns be recommended for Lieutenant in Captain William Gillespie's of Malitia 2 Battallion 112 Regiment, and Robert Gillespie Ensign in said Company."

"Ordered that Henry Criswell, Frederick Cook, Travis Kendle, William Day, and Thomas Cassiday be appointed Constables in the County for two years."

William Thompson recommended as a fit person to be appointed Second Lieutenant in a company of cavalry in the room of John Wynn resigned, and Harvey George Cornet in said Company in the room of Robert Peery resigned.

*Sept. T.* "Ordered that William Taylor be appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the year 1817."

*Oct. T.* "Personally appeared in Court William Higginbotham a Lieutenant formerly in the service of the United States, in the State of Virginia for the defence of the Borough of Norfolk, and deposed on oath after being duly sworn, that Micajah A. Thorn a Sergeant in the Company to which he was attached, which Company belonged to the 7th Regiment, commanded by Col. David Sanders, and that the sd. Thorn departed this life at the sd. Borough on the 4th day of Dec. 1814 in the sd service leaving a widow Susanna Thorn and ten children which all are now residents of the County of

Tazewell in the State of Virginia, and the sd. Susanna still remains the widow of the sd. Thorn as was proven in Court by the oath of William Smith Esquire, who also deposed that the said widow and deceased were lawfully married."

"The said William Higginbotham further deposeth, that James Suter a soldier in the said Company, departed this life, in the Borough of Norfolk in December 1814 in the sd. service, leaving a widow Caty Suter and six children who are all residents of the County of Tazewell in the State aforesaid, and that the said Caty still remains the widow of the said James Suter, & Ellender Neel after being duly sworn deposeth that the said widow & the deceased was lawfully married."

"The said William Higginbotham further deposeth, that Henry Stump a soldier in said Company, departed this life in Borough of Norfolk, in December 1814 in the service of the United States leaving a Widow Ellender Stump and two children, who are all residents of the County of Tazewell in the State aforesaid, and that the said Ellender Stump remains the widow of the sd. Henry Stump & John Wynn Esq. after being duly sworn deposeth that the said widow and the deceased were *was* lawfully married."

"Joseph M. Clark and Cornelius Johnston after being duly sworn deposeth that they were both soldiers and belonged to the sd. Company, and was in the service at Norfolk when the above recited persons, departed this life at Norfolk."

Ordered that Henry Davidson be recommended etc. as a fit person to be appointed Captain in a Company of Militia in the room of Samuel Lusk; and John Davidson Lieutenant in said Company in the room of Henry Davidson promoted.

John Crockett. Clerk of the Court was directed to give notice that at the next term a contract will be made to have a complete map of the County.

*Nov. T.* "Ordered that Thomas O'neel Gent be appointed prosecutor on behalf of the Commonwealth in this Court until James Thompson, the former prosecutor, returns."

"William Campbell, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract for making a map of the county at the price of \$23.00"



1817

*Jan. T.* "On the motion of John Crockett (Clerk), William Gillespie qualified as his deputy.

*Mar. T.* "Adam Waterford, emancipated slave, made satisfactory proof of his being a man of extraordinary merit was granted permission to reside in the Commonwealth and within this County."

*April T.* James Campbell qualified to practice law in this Court.

William Gillespie and John Laird recommended to the Governor for Comr. and assistant Comr of the Revenue in pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly passed the 18th day of Feb. 1817.

*May T.* Harvey George Peery qualified as deputy Sheriff.

Hezekiah Harman Conl. of the Militia of this County resigned his appointment as Col. at last Court.

Henry Bowen recommended to be appointed Colonel in the place of Hez. Harman, resigned.

William Gillespie recommended to the Governor to be appointed Major in the room of Henry Bowen, promoted.

John Barnes recommended for appointment as Captain in the room of William Gillespie, promoted.

Robert Gillespie recommended to be Lieutenant in the Second Batalion 112 Regiment.

Alex. Ward recommended as Ensign in 2 Batallion and 112 Regiment in John Barns Company.

Robert Gillespie recommended to be appointed Lieutenant in 2nd Batallion & 112 Regiment.

William Davidson recommended for Ensign 1st Batallion 112 Regiment—Henry Davidson's Company.

Philip Lambert, Jr., recommended for Justice of the Peace.

## CHAPTER VII.

LAW ORDER BOOK JUNE 1817 TO DECEMBER 1820.

1817

### *June Term.*

"At a Court held for the County of Tazewell on Tuesday the 24th day of June, 1817.

Present Thomas Gillespie, William Taylor, James Peery, Thomas Harrison, John Laird and Peter Gose Gent."

Caty Suiter, administratrix of James Suiter, Decd. Surety William Cecil, Peter Gose and John Deskins, in the penalty of Seven Hundred Dollars.

John Wilson, John Brown, William Peery and John Shannon appointed Constables.

Ordered that the County levy on each tithable be fixed at fifty-three cents for the present year.

"Edley Maxwell Pltff.	}	Case
Vs.		
Charles Stratton Deft.		

"John Crockett comes into Court and undertakes for the defendant in case he should be cast in this suit, if he does not pay the condemnation of the court he will do it for him, or surrender his body in person in discharge thereof."

(This order is here inserted to show the form of order entered in this class of litigation in the early records)

Joseph P. Lambert appointed Constable for two years.

*July T.* "John Peery, Joseph Davidson and Thomas Witten are by the Court recommended to his Excellency, the Governor as fit persons to execute the office of Sheriff of this County, for the ensuing year."

*Sept. T.* "John Barns produced in Court a Commission from his Excellency, the Governor, dated the 16th of August, 1817 appointing him a Captain in the hundred and twelfth Regiment & 17th Brigade, third Division of the Melitia of this county and took the oath required by law."

Alexander Harrisson appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the County for the ensuing year.

*Nov. T.* David McCommas qualified to practice law in this Court.

"On the petition of Brooks Mattingley for to have his stock mark recorded which is a crop of the left ear and an under Bit out of the right ear, which is ordered by the Court to be entered of record."

1818

*Jan. T.* Christopher Chaffin appointed a Constable in the 2nd Batallion in the room of John Belshe.

*Mar. T.* Charles C. Johnston qualified to practice law in this Court.

*April T.* Arthur M. Henderson qualified to practice law in this Court.

*May T.* Under Act of Assembly authorizing same, School commissioners were appointed by the Court as follows: Thomas Witten, Senior, John Laird, Thomas Gillespie, Ambrose Hall, Hezekiah Harman, Henry Bowen, Elias H. Neel, Wm. Taylor, John Davidson, John Cecil and Isaac Quinn.

*June T.* "Henry Bowen, Colonel of the Militia of this County, came into Court and entered his resignation as Colonel."

"Ordered that the following persons be recommended to his Excellency the Governor as Militia officers: Ambrose Hall, Colonel Commandant in the room of Henry Bowen resigned; William Gillespie, Lieutenant Colonel; David Peery, Major in the room of A. Hall promoted; John Gillespie, Captain in the room of David Peery promoted; Alexander Harrisson, Lieutenant; Henry Harman Ensign Peter Gose, Captain; Philip Lambert, Lieutenant; Stephen Gose, Ensign; George Thompson, Ensign in Capt. Peery's Company."

Elias H. Neel recommended for a Justice of the Peace.

Thomas Cassaday appointed Constable.

Thomas O Neel is added to committee of school Commissioners.

"Joseph Davidson, Thomas Witten and John Thompson are by the Court recommended to his Excellency the Governor as fit persons to execute the office of Sheriff of this County for the ensuing year."

"Shorter Smith a Citizen of Tazewell County Virginia Came into Court and declares on oath that he served in the Revolutionary



War in the Continental Service against the common Enemy, he states that he entered with Captain Henry Debais, in the State of New Yourk, he was marched from Poughkipsee in the said State of New Yourk to Senectedy & afterwards jointd the company of Captain Samuel F. Pell the Regiment, second New York of the New Yourk line on the Continental establishment, Commanded by Col. Philip Vancourt (?) and he was afterwards marched to John Town fourt and from thence to fourt Herkimer and from thence to fourt Stammix and was left a guard at Prinston as his Co dep to little York, where Corn Wallis was Captured, he thinks the time he enlisted was in the year 1781 after the Capture of Corn Wallis, he was marched to Jessey and from thence marched to Snake Hill; where he was discharged, he was discharged the 7th of June 1783, and cannot now furnish his discharge, he relinquishes all other Calaim to any other pention."

Ordered that all Counterfeit money held by any and all citizens of the county be deposited in the Clerk's Office etc.

\_\_\_\_\_ is charged with "stealing a few Mulatto boys."

*July T.* William Williams, Patton George and Richard Oney were added to the Board of School Commissioners.

"Isaac Stratton, William Hall, George Cummings, John Evans and David Scrivener severally appeared in Court, and stated that they were Soldiers and served in the revolutionary war and each of them having given in riting a statement of the officers & C. who they served under. Which statements is ordered by the Court to be recorded and copiys thereof transmited to the secretary of War, they having severally taken the Oaths required by the act of Congress respecting pentioners."

"Agreeable to the Act of Congress passed at the last Session William Hall of Tazewell County & State of Virginia, comes into Court & prefers his Claim to a pension. He states that he served in the Revolutionary war as a soldier in the Continental line. He was enlisted by Capt John Shelton the Regiment Commanded by Colo. Stephens. He does not recollect his Christian name. He was marched from Williamsburg where he enlisted to the long bridge and was present at the Battle with the Brittish, under the command of Fordyce from the long bridge he was marched in pursuit of the Brittish to Norfolk, and saw the conflagration of that place by the British. After the British quit Norfolk, he was again marched to

the long bridge where he wintered. He served between ten and eleven months. He was marched from the long bridge to Williamsburg from thence to Fauquier Court house where he was discharged by Capt John Shelton. He cannot furnish his discharge having no expectation of any remuneration from his Country any more than what he received he paid little attention to his discharge. He renounces all claim to any other pension. He is in indigent circumstances or is likely to be so. is a cripple in his right arm and needs the assistance of his Country. He cannot at present furnish any other evidence. He further states that he was in an affair with the British at Hampton. Thomas O Neile States that he heard William Hall more than once mention that He was at the Battle with Fordyce. John Evans states he has herd him say he was at the aforesaid Battle with Fordyce. The said Hall came into Court and made oath that the aforesaid statement is true. He was entered in the year 1775 or 1776."

"George Cummings comes into Court and States that he was enlisted by Captain Wm. Long in Rockbridge County in the State of Virginia in the second Virginia Regiment commanded by Colo. Brent. His Majors name was Lee. He was marched from Rockbridge to the warm Springs in Greenbrier County, he was then marched from Greenbrier to Williamsburg, & from thence to the Valley forge in Pensylvania He was marched from the valley forge to the State of Jersey and was present at the battle of Monmouth and was at Stony point at the taking of it, and was likewise present at the taking of a fort belonging to the British, at Paulus hook. He was enlisted for three years, he served faithfully untill he was discharged in Greenbrier by Capt Long. He states that he left his discharge with Colo. Meariweather in Richmond. He renounces all claim to any other pension, is in indigent cercumstances and needs the assistance of his Country. The aforesaid Cummings makes oath that the aforesaid statement made by him is true, John Laird Esquire Magistrate of Tazewell County States, that he heard the said Cummings frequently state before the passage of the Act of Congress, giving pensions to officers & Soldiers, that he served in the Continental Service of the United States & he believes his statement to be correct. He served under General Mulingburg, General of Brigade."



“John Evans states he served in the Continental Service in the Revolutionary War in the first Virginia State Regiment Commanded by Colo. Charles Dabney. He further states that he served he thinks during the span of 10 months. He was at the siege of little York & was present at the capture of Lord Cornwallis—his Captains Name Tabb he does not recollect his Christian name. He was employed after the siege of little York, in taking some Refugees who did not come under the terms of Capitulation. He was marched from little York to Portsmouth in Virginia in order to demolish some works made thair by the British, he took up winter Quarters at Portsmouth where he was enculated—He went from thence to Richmond and from there to Warwick. He was discharged at Richmond on the 22nd day of February 1782 by Capt Elija Christian of Amhurst County. Capt. Christian moved to Georgia and he has never seen *it* since. He renounces all claim to any other pension is in indigent circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country. The said John Evans comes into Court and declares on oath that the aforesaid statement is true.”

“David Scrivener came into Court and makes oath that he served in the Continental line of the United States. He enlisted by John Mober (?) a private in Capt. Charles Crays Company in the first Pennsylvania Regiment Commanded by Colo. Benjm. Chambers he serves he thinks about six years. He was at the Battle of Long Island and also at the Battle of the White Planes and was likewise at the Battle of Germantown. He was also at the Storming of Stony point, he was at the *skirming* at Paoli and was also present at the taking of the Hessians at Trenton he was discharged in South Carolina by Capt Davis. He served likewise under Samel Craig His discharge he lost in Augustine in East Florida having fell out of a boat in crossing the River at Augustine. He renounces all claim to any other pension, is in indigent circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country all which is humbly submitted. He forgot to state that he was wounded at the Battle of Germanton, He further states that he served Generally under General Wayne.”

1819

*May T.* Joseph Davidson having been appointed Sheriff of this County by the Governor on Oct. 8th last past qualified as such. James Doak and Hervey George qualified as his deputies.



An indictment was returned into Court charging the defendant with selling one quart of cider at the price of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents which is .04 $\frac{1}{2}$  more than the price fixed by the Court.

*June T.* John Davidson, Adam Harman (Sandy) William McGuyer, Philip Lambert and Elias H. Neel (little) recommended unto his Excellency the Governor and the Honorable privy Council as fit persons to be added to the County Commissioners of the Peace in this County. (James C. Preston was Governor at this time)

Ordered that Robert Young, Bazel Tabor, James McCommas, William Peery, John Wilson and John Brown be appointed to act as Constables in this County.

Hezekiah Harman, John Crockett and John Witten appointed by the Court to make settlement and report to Court as follows: With the Treasurer of Jeffersonville; with James Thompson for money received by him for wolf scalps; with Wm. Hall and John Peery late Sheriffs of the County; and with the Overseers of the Poor.

*July T.* Certificates of the qualifications of Henry Harman as Ensign with the Militia of the Commonwealth, and of David Peery as Major in the 112 Regiment 17th Brigade and 3rd Division of the Militia of this Commonwealth.

Henry P. George qualified as deputy for Joseph Davidson, Sheriff.

*Aug. T.* Adam Harman, Junr. Orphan of Daniel Harman dec'd came into Court and made choice of Thomas Harrisson for his guardian.

John Milam appointed Constable in the room of Bazel Tabor.

*Sept T.* Ordered that Isaac Quinn be appointed Comr. of the Revenue for the ensuing year.

*Oct. T.* William Gillespie produced in Court a Commission from the Governor dated the 11th day of May last appointing him Lieutenant Colonel of the 112 Regiment of the 17th Brigade and third Division of the Militia. Agreeable to the Act of the General Assembly directing School Commissioners to be elected at the October Court, the Court proceeded to nominate and appoint, Thomas Witten, John Laird, Thomas O Neill, Hezekiah Harman, William Taylor, William Williams, Richard Oney, Ambrose Hall and Thomas Harrisson.

*Nov. T.* John Senton qualified to practice law in this court.

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*Feb. T.* "A certificate of the qualification of Kiah Harman & Granger Harman as fit persons to survey land, by William Taylor Esq. was returned to Court and thereupon on motion of Hezekiah Harman, Surveyor of Tazewell County, it is ordered that the said Kiah Harman & Granger Harman be admitted his deputies."

*May T.* Philip Lambert recommended appointment as a Justice of the Peace.

Vacancies in the 112 Regiment. Recommendation of persons to fill same, viz: Thomas Brown, lieutenant in place of John Witten resigned in a company of Riflemen; Thomas Brewster Ensign in the same company in the place of Thomas Brown promoted; John B. George Captain of Company of Cavalry in place of Isaac Brown resigned; Wm. Thompson 1st Lieutenant in the same Company vice John B George promoted; Hervey George, 2nd Lieutenant; James C. Davidson cornet vice Hervey George promoted; Milton Ward Ensign in Capt Barns' Company of Infantry in the room of Alexander Ward who failed to qualify; George Thompson Lieutenant in Captain James Peery's Company of Infantry vice Rees B. Thompson; Archibald Thompson junr. Ensign in place of George Thompson promoted; James Wilson Ensign in Captain John B. Gillespies Company of Infantry, vice Henry Harman resigned.

*June T.* Joseph Davidson, Thomas Witten and John Thompson reeommended as fit person to be appointed Sheriff.

A levy of 1.75 upon each tithable ordered to pay claims against the county.

Recommended to the Governor and privy Council the following to be added to the Justices of the Peace for this County, viz: William Gillespie, Hervey George, William Thompson, John Davidson, William Williams and Thomas Peery.

Recommended to the Governor as fit persons to serve as Sheriff for the year 1821: Thomas Witten, John Thompson and Hezekiah Whitt.

Henry Gillespie, Frederick Cook, Thomas Brewster, Thos. I. George, James Day, Kiah Harman and George Brown are appointed Constables.



*July T.* William Neel Emancipated Dimon a Slave, a man of color. John M. Neel and Elias Harman made oath to the said writing.

*Aug. T.* Joseph Davidson qualified as sheriff, with James C. Davidson and Thomas I. George, his deputies.

“On the 23rd day of August 1820 before us Thomas Witten, William Taylor, John Wynn and James Peery; Justices of the peace of the County Court of Tazewell in the state of Virginia personally appeared David Scrivener age sixty three years, resident in the County of Tazewell aforesaid in the said district, who being by us first duly sworn, according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled “An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary War”: That he, the said David Scrivener enlisted for the term of two years, on the 12th day of July in the year 1776 in Sawcon County in the State of Pennsylvania in the company commanded by Captain Charles Craig of the Regiment commanded by Colo. ———— Hand in the line of the State of Pennsylvania, and the continental Establishments, that he joined his Regiment at Long Island in the State of New York; that he continued to serve in said Corps for the space of twenty two months or thereabouts; that he then re-enlisted for and during the war in the State of New Jersey in the company commanded by Captain Samuel Craig of the Regiment of Infantry commanded by Colonel ———— Chambers in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on the continental Establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the year 1783, when he was discharged from service on Ashley river in the state of South Carolina from General Waynes Brigade, and as well as he recollects he then was commanded by Captain Davis; that he was in the battles of Long Island, White Plains, Germantown, Trenton, Stony point. and Paola; he further declares that he was taken prisoner in the state of New Jersey on second river commonly called at that day the English neighborhood by seven Tories, that he was taken to a prison ship and was detained upwards of one year, that he made his Escape from Lord Cornwallis’s Army at Bollings Bridge between Petersburg in Virginia and Halifax in North Carolina, and joined his own Corps at the place where he was discharged; that he was wounded



at the Battle of Germantown. And that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his prower of his said Services. Sworn to and declared before us the day and year aforesaid."

"We, Thomas Witten, William Taylor, John Wynn & James Peery Justices of the peace of the County Court of Tazewell in the state of Virginia as aforesaid do certify that it appears to our satisfaction that the said David Scrivener did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in the preceding declaration, against the common enemy, for the term of nine months at one time, on the continental Establishment and we now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before us, to the Secretary for the Department of war, pursuant to the directions of the aforementioned act of Congress. We are also satisfied that he needs the assistance of his Country for support. We further certify that he made his first declaration on the 23th day of July 1318. Given under our hands this 23rd day of August 1820. Signed Thomas Witten, Wm. Taylor, John Wynn & James Peery."

"The said David Scrivener exhibited in Court a schedule of his Estate as follows: two sows and some pigs of the value of \$5; nothing more, who made oath that the said Schedule contains all the property in his possession or otherwise".

*Sept T.* Hervey George, Thomas Peery, William Gillespie, John Davidson and William Williams qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Hervey George appointed Comr. of the Revenue of the County for the ensuing year.

"A schedule of the Estate of Isaac Stratton a pensioner resident in the County of Tazewell in the State of Virginia was exhibited in Court and ordered to be recorded to wit: One sow and two pigs, one old horse nearly worn out & that he has not secreted nor embezzled anything whatever."

"This day Isaac Stratton personally appeared before us (in open Court) Hezekiah Harman, William Taylor, James Peery, William Williams, William Gillespie & Hervey George Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and made Oath that the above schedule contains all the property he holds in his possession; that his family consists of a sickly wife and three daughters who are all of

full age, which we hereby transmit to the Secretary for the Department of war. Given under our hands and seals this 27th day of September 1820: Hez. Harman (SEAL) W. Taylor (SEAL) James Peery (SEAL) William Williams (SEAL) William Gillespie (SEAL) Hervey George (SEAL)''

*Oct. T.* Recommended Philip Lambert, James C. Davidson, James S. Witten & William Barns for appointment as Justices of the Peace.

*Nov. T.* James E. Brown qualified to practice law in this court. William Thompson Jr. qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Requests the County Court of Wythe Co. to cooperate in making a better road between Tazewell Court House and Wythe County Court House so as to pass Robert Steel's and intersect with the Cove in Wythe County.

*Dec. T.* Philip Lambert and James C. Davis qualified as Justices of the peace.

## CHAPTER VIII.

COUNTY COURT ORDERS FROM JANUARY 1821 TO JUNE 1825.

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1821

*Jan. T.* James S. Witten and William Barns qualified as Justices of the Peace.

“On the 24th day of January 1821, personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record established as such by the laws of Virginia which proceeds according to the Courts of common law, with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a record of their proceedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment; James Robertson, aged 78 years resident in the County of Tazewell in the 13th Judicial Circuit in the said State who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: That he enlisted in the army of the revolution on continental establishment at Little York in the State of Pennsylvania in the Company commanded by Capt. David Greer in the Regiment commanded by Col. ————— Erwin of the 6th Regiment of the Pennsylvania line for the term of one year unless sooner discharged and that he served the whole year out; that after the expiration of his first enlistment he re-enlisted in the Company commanded by Capt. Robert Hopes at little York aforesaid in the Regiment commanded by Col. Thomas Hartley (or Hastley) in the Pennsylvania line for and during the war and was discharged at the city of Philadelphia after returning from South Carolina some time after peace had been proclaimed and that he made his original declaration on the 26th day of May 1818 that he has been inscribed on the pension list, Roll of the Virginia Agency No. 6261; and made oath that he was a resident citizen of the United States, on the 18th day of March 1818, and that he has not, since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled “An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the



United States, in the revolutionary war." passed on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or Debts, due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto; as follows to wit: One mare \$30, one cow \$10 two sows 8 pigs & 1 barrow \$8. . . . \$48. He also declares that he has no trade, that his family consists of himself and his wife only, that his wife is upwards of 60 years of age and as to himself he has been unable to walk for upwards of ten years, without his crutches, that he is unable to ride on horseback, or go to any place unless hauled and entirely unable to do any kind of labor."

*Feb. T.* John Tevis, an ordained minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Joseph Draper Gentleman qualified to practice law in this court.

It is ordered that the following persons be recommended to the Governor etc. as fit persons to fill vacancies in the 112th Regiment, to-wit:

Robert Gillespie Captain, vice Capt John Barnes resigned,  
Milton Ward Lieutenant, vice Robert Gillespie promoted,  
Hugh Young Ensign, vice Milton Ward promoted,  
Kiah Harman Lieutenant vice Alexander Harrisson resigned,  
John Augustus Cook, a native of Great Britain took the oath of allegiance.

*May T.* Following certificates of qualifications of Militia officers:

Robert Gillespie, Captain of a Company of Infantry; Hervey George 2nd Lieutenant of Cavalry; James Wilson Ensign of Infantry; Kiah Harman Lieutenant of Infantry; Thomas Brewster Ensign of Riflemen

*June T.* Thomas Witten Gentleman, produced in Court a Commission to be Sheriff of this County, and qualified as such.

James S. Witten and William McDonald qualified as his deputies.

John Wilson appointed Constable by the Court for the year 1823.

Henry Gillespie, John Brown, William Peery, Robert Young, Hervey Deskins, Frederick Cook, George Brown, James Day and Henry Pruett are by the Court appointed Constables in this County for the term of two years from the date hereof.

*Sept. T.* Henry Harman (Daniel's son), Surveyor of road from Bluestone road near George Peery Junior to Wm. Taylor)

Twenty one Justices present at this term of Court.

Rees B. Gillespie was elected by the Justices, Comr. of the Revenue.

It was ordered that Ephraim Dunbar be recommended to the Governor etc. as a fit person to be added to the Commissioners (Justices) of the Peace in this county. Thomas Mann Randolph was Governor of Virginia at that time.

*Oct. T.* "Watt" a slave held by the heirs of Dudley Young dec'd is authorized to sue for his freedom, and counsel was assigned him for this purpose.

*Nov. T.* (Joseph Hankins appointed overseer of the road from Stephen Deeskins to the Baptist Valley near John Hankins)

1822

*Jan. T.* "On the 22nd day of January 1822 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record established as such by the laws of Virginia which proceeds according to the course of common law, with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a record of their proceedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment: Isaac Stratton aged sixty seven years as well as he recollects having no register of his age resident in the County of Tazewell in the 13th Judicial Circuit in the said State, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows:

That he enlisted in the army of the revolution on continental establishment in the County of Amherst in the State of Virginia under Doctor Wilcox who volunteered his services as a Captain and afterwards (having enlisted his full Company) refused to march, and he was then transferred to the company commanded by Captain John Overton in the 14th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colo. William Davis, his enlistment was in the year 1778 and was marched to Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania where he joined the Grand Army—he also states that he was at the battle of monmouth, at the storming of Paulus hook when and where three hundred men or upwards were taken prisoners by the American Army, this claimant also states that he was on the detachment at the storming of Paulus hook commanded by Major Lee, he was at the storming of Stony point after that he served four months under the command of Colo. Morgan and was generally on the British



lines, and after the expiration of four months under Colo. Morgan he joined his aforesaid 14th Virginia Regiment that he served about two years and six months from his first enlistment until he was discharged at Fredericksburg in the State of Virginia by the said Colo. Davis, and that he made his original declaration before the passing of the act of Congress providing for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval services of the United States, in the revolutionary war, passed on the 18th day of March 1818 That he has been inscribed on the Pension list Roll of the Virginia Agency No. 15310 and made oath that he was a resident citizen of the United States, on the 18th day of March 1818; and that he has not, since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of his property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval services of the United States, in the revolutionary war, passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that he has not, nor has any person in trust for him, any property, or securities, contracts or Debts, due to him, nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto: as follows to wit: A Lot of wild Hogs. . . . \$5.00 He declares that he has no trade except that of farming that he lives on rented land, and not able to plough without pain, being disabled by pain in his right leg and thigh, that his family consists of a sickly wife between 65 and 70 years of age that he has three daughters living with him and that they are all upwards of 21 years of age and out for themselves

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And it is the opinion of the said Court that the total amount in value in sd. schedule is \$5. Sworn to, and declared on the 22nd day of January 1822 before the Court."

"On this 22nd day of January 1822 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record, established as such by the laws of Virginia, which proceeds according to the course of common law, with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a record of their proceedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment; Archibald Maloney age 73 years to the best of his recollection resident in the County of Tazewell in the 13th Judicial circuit in the said State, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his



oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: That he enlisted in the Army of the revolution on continental establishment at Lancaster in the State of Pennsylvania in the Company commanded by Capt John Alexander in the 7th Pennsylvania Regiment commanded by Colo. Butler in the year 1778 or thereabouts and served three years, after which he re-enlisted under the same captain and served in the same Regiment during the war. He states that he was in the Battles of Paulus Hook, Staten Island, Elizabethstown point, at the storming of Fort Washington at York Island, White plains, Storming of Stony point & Monmouth, he was taken prisoner at York Island and confined in a prison ship nine months, that he served five years and nine months in the war of the revolution in the Militia & continental army. That he made his original declaration before the passage of the act of Congress of the 18th day of March 1818 that he has been inscribed on the pension list, Roll of the Virginia agency No. 15,304; and made Oath that he was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818; and that he has not since that time gift, sale or in any manner disposed of his property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war, passed on the 18th day of March 1818; and that he has not, nor has any person in Trust for him any property, or securities, contracts or Debts, due to him, nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed as follows to wit:

"A lease on 20 acres of poor land for life rated to be worth \$5; a year rent One ax the value of \$1.25 He states and declares that he has no trade, that he has always followed farming as long as he has been able, that he is incapable of laboring for a livelihood, that he has no family and is hardly able to wash his own clothes.

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Sworn to and declared, on the 22nd day of January 1822 in presence of the Court and it is the opinion of the Court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule

is \$1.25 and that the yearly rent of his land is of the value of \$5:  
See declaration of March 1818

*Feb. T.* Thomas J. Michie qualified to practice law in this court.

*Mar. T.* William Smith Esq. qualified to practice law in this court.

Thomas Witten qualified as Sheriff of this county.

Ordered that the County be laid off into three districts for the election of Overseers of the Poor.

*Apr. T.* Harold Smythe qualified to practice law in this court.

Ephraim Dunbar qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

The election held on April 20th 1822 resulted in the choice of Overseers of the Poor as follows: John Ward and John Harrisson were elected in the Western district, John Wynn in the Central district and Peter Dills and Henry Bailey in the Eastern district.

*May T.* Thomas Witten Junior, is by Thomas Witten Gentleman, Sheriff of this County, appointed deputy.

*June T.* William McDonald qualified as deputy Sheriff.

*July T.* Edward B. Bailey qualified to practice law in this Court.

Citizens of Jeffersonville were allowed to build porches to their houses not more that 8 feet in width so as not to obstruct passengers & etc.

*Aug. T.* (Nancy Harman, orphan of Henry Harman, decd. who is over 14 years old chose John B. Gillespie as her Guardian for the purpose of obtaining marriage license)

Lewis Horton appointed Constable.

*Sept. T.* Seventeen Justices present.

John Peery Senr. (Clear Fork) is appointed to celebrate the rites of matrimony in the county.

### 1823

*Jan. T.* Silas M. Stilwell qualified as deputy Clerk.

*Mar. T.* John B. George Esqr. who has been commissioned by the Executive of this State Major of the fifth Regiment of Cavalry in the fifth Division of the Militia qualified as such.

*May T.* Erastus Granger Harman is nominated to his Excellency the Governor as a fit person to fill the place of Lieutenant in the Company commanded by Captain John Gillespie in the 112th

Regiment Thomas Shannon recommended to the Governor for Ensign in same Company.

James Davidson recommended for Lieutenant in the room of Philip Lambert promoted in the same Regiment.

John Thompson, Hezekiah Whitt and Thomas Gillespie are by the Court recommended as fit persons to fill the office of Sheriff for the present year.

Richard Roberts is recommended as a fit person to fill the place of Lieutenant in the Company commanded by Captain Gillespie, in the 112th Regiment. Levi Horton recommended etc. to fill the place of Ensign in Captain Robert Gillespie's Company.

*June T.* Having been elected by the respective Companies, the following persons are recommended to the Governor as fit persons to be appointed to the offices named, viz: Thomas Bowen, Captain of the Rifle Company formerly commanded by Captain Hiram Witten; Cornelius Johnston as Lieutenant; Moses Beavers as Ensign; Peter Gose for Captain of a new Rifle Company, consisting of seventy five men; James Meek Lieutenant; and Peter Litz, Ensign; Andrew Brown Ensign in Captain Henry Davidson's Company.

Philip Lambert Captain in room of Peter Gose appointed Captain of a new Rifle Company.

William Peery and Lewis Horton appointed constables. Also Hezekiah Bonham. Henry Gillespie, William Henneger, Joseph Clark, William Dills, Tilman Crockett, Evin D. Williams, Samuel Cecil, Edmond Harrison, and Henry Prewitt appointed Constables.

*July T.* Thomas Witten Gentleman, is continued in office of Sheriff, upon failure of his successor to qualify, and William McDonald qualified as his deputy.

*Augt. T.* George Thompson recommended to the Governor etc. to be appointed Captain in the room of James Peery promoted, and that Joshua Curel be appointed Ensign; that Archibald Thompson Junior be appointed Lieutenant, in the room of George Thompson promoted.

James Oney recommended for Major in 112 Regiment.

Thomas I. George qualified a Lieutenant in the Troop of Cavalry.

*Sept. T.* Harvey George Qualified a Captain of a Troop of Cavalry.

John Cecil appointed Comr of the Revenue for this year.

*Oct. T.* William Barnes appointed a Comr. of the Revenue.



John S. McFarlane qualified to practice law in this court.

*Dec. T.* Alexander Harrison appointed deputy Sheriff.

Cornelius Johnston qualified Lieutenant in a Rifle Company.

Jonathan Quicksall produced in Court credentials of his ordination and also of his being in regular communion with the Baptist Church of Christ and was authorized to celebrate the rites of Matrimony agreeable to the forms of said church.

Silas Moore Stilwell Gentleman given a certificate on which to apply for license to practice law.

1824

*Mar. T.* A deed of manumission from George Harman to Thomas Bell, a man of color was proven in Court by the oaths of Hezekiah Harman and Erastus G. Harman two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

*June T.* John Thompson Gentlemen qualified as Sheriff, and Hervey Deskins and Thomas I. George qualified as his deputies.

John Thompson, Hezekiah Whitt and Thomas Gillespie recommended for Sherriff.

John Laird gave bond in the penalty of \$2,000 and qualified as Treasurer of the School Commissioners.

*June T.* William Vencil recommended to be Ensign in a company of Riflemen etc.

Philip Lambert recommended for appointment as Captain etc.

John Thompson qualified as Sheriff.

*Sept. T.* Henry P. George was appointed Commissioner of the Revenue.

John G. Gray Gentlemen, qualified to practice law in this court

Guy Harrisson appointed Constable.

*Nov. T.* Jubel Jones appointed a Constable in the first Batallion of the 112th Regiment. John Chapman qualified to practice law.

Nehemiah Bonham appointed Constable in same Batallion.

James C. Davidson and Addison Crockett recommended to be commissioned as Lieutenants in 112th and 105th Regiments respectively.

Andrew Brown and James Wilson recommended to be commissioned as Ensigns in Captain Henry Davidson's Company, and in Capt. Robert Gillespie's Company respectively.

*Dec. T.* Edward T. Peery a minister of the Methodist Church was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

1825

*Feb T.* Addison Crockett, on motion of John Crockett, Clerk of the Court, is admitted as his deputy.

*April T.* Andrew Brown qualified as Ensign in 112th Regiment.

*May T.* John Hutchenson qualified to practice law.

The following persons recommended to the Governor as officers in the Militia, viz: Archibald Thompson for Captain and Joshua Corel Lieutenant, and Thomas Davis, Ensign in Capt Thomas Brown's Company of Riflemen.

*June T.* John Wilson, William Peery, Nehemiah Bonham, Robert Gillespie, Jubel Jones, Lewis Horton, Joseph P. Lambert, Tillman Crockett, William Henniger, William Davidson, Samuel Cecil, E. D. Williams, Stephen Deskins and Guy T. Harrison, appointed Constables for the term of two years.

Harvey Deskins appointed Deputy Sheriff.

## CHAPTER IX.

COUNTY COURT LAW ORDERS FROM JULY 1825 TO DECEMBER 1831.

1825

*July T.* "At a quarterly Session continued and held for the County of Tazewell at the Court House thereof on Friday the 28th day of July 1825.

Present John Cecil, William Williams, Harvey George and John Wynn Gentlemen, Justices"

(No orders of general nature at this term. Only litigated matters considered.)

*Augt. T.* "At a Court held for the County of Tazewell at the Court House on the 23rd day of August, 1825.

Present, Thomas Witten, Hez. Harman, Ambrose Hall, Peter Gose and John Davidson, Gentlemen, Justices.

(Moses Hankins appointed Administrator of John Hankins)

*Sept. T.* Present, Thomas Witten, John Wynn, Harvey George and Thomas Peery, Gentlemen, Justices. At a later day of the Sept Term, Thomas Gillespie, Joseph Davidson, John Laird, John Cecil, William Williams, Thomas Gillespie, William Thompson, Ephraim Dunbar, James C. Davidson, Philip Lambert, John Wynn, Hez. Harman and Ambrose Hall were present.

Erastus Granger Harman was elected by the Justices, Commissioner of the Revenue for the ensuing year. Said Harman resigned his office as Deputy Surveyor before his election as Comr. of the Revenue.

John Lambert recommended to be commissioned Ensign in Captain Philip Lambert's Company.

*Oct. T.* Present, Harvey George, John Cecil, Thomas Gillespie and William Smith Gentlemen, Justices.

*Nov. T.* Present, Henry Bowen, William Taylor, Peter Gose, John Davidson Joseph Davidson, John Wynn and Thomas Witten, Gentlemen, Justices.

The Court petitioned the General Assembly to pass an act validating the deeds made by the Court to lots out of the 23 acres & 28 poles of land conveyed for the public buildings of the County etc.



(Lettitia Harman, orphan of Henry Harman decd. chose John Gillespie for her Guardian)

William McGuire a minister of the Methodist Church was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Lieutenant Colonel William Gillespie recommended for appointment as Colonel Commandant in the room of Ambrose Hall resigned Major James Peery is recommended to be Commissioned as Lieutenant Colonel in the 112th Regiment etc. and Captain Henry P. Davidson is recommended to be commissioned Major in said Regiment.

1826

*Jan. T.* "Present, Hez Harman, Ambrose Hall, Thomas Harrison, Isaac Brown, and John Wynn, Gentlemen, Justices."

Andrew Brown recommended for Captain in the 1st Battalion 112th Regiment; and William W. Compton to be commissioned Lieutenant in same Company, and John Bailey (Henry's Son) to be Ensign.

*Feb. T.* "Present, John Laird, John Davidson, Hezekiah Whitt, William Williams, Thomas Peery, John Wynn and Peter Gose, Gentlemen, Justices.

Hezekiah Whitt qualified as Sheriff of the County.

*Mar. T.* "Present, Joseph Davidson, Ambrose Hall, Henry Bowen, Thomas Harrison, and Harvey George, Gentlemen, Justices."

Thomas I. George qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Ordered that the County be divided into three precincts for the purpose of electing Overseers of the Poor etc.

*May T.* "Present, Thomas Witten, John Wynn, William Williams, John Laird, John Davidson, Wm. Thompson, Jas. Witten and Hezekiah Harman, Gentlemen, Justices."

James Mayhood recommended for Ensign in 1st Battalion 112 Regt.

*June T.* "Present, Henry Bowen, William Taylor, John Wynn, Thomas Witten, William Barns, Harvey George, Thomas Peery, Isaac Brown, Peter Gose, James Witten, John Laird, William Williams, John Thompson, Thomas Harrison, John B. George and Hez. Harman, Gentlemen, Justices."

We have given the names of the Justices who held the Courts during the last year. It is our purpose to do this occasionally so that the reader may get the names of the active majistrates during the year.

Hez. Whitt, Thomas Gillespie and Hez. Harman are by the Court recommended etc. as fit persons to execute the office of Sheriff of this county for the ensuing year

Thomas Davis recommended to be commissioned an Ensign in Captain Thomas Brown's Company.

Thomas Cassady appointed a Constable.

On the motion of James Devor and Margaret his wife the said Margaret being one of the heirs of Mary Dunn, dec'd. the following heirs were summoned to appear and show cause why 100 acres of land in Burks Garden should not be sold etc. viz: Daniel Robinett, James Waddle, and Ann his wife, Michael Robinett, Polly Harman, Thomas Fickle Mary Fickle, James Workman, Rachel his wife, heirs of Betsy Fickle, dec'd. James Steel and Ester his wife, John Dunn, Thomas Dunn and Mark Bogle, Allen Newberry and Betsy his wife, Polly Bogle & Dunn Bogle, heirs of Rachel Bogle dec'd etc.

An order of publication in the Wythe Gazette to be published for eight weeks as notice to said heirs.

*Aug. T.* Jeremiah Lambert, James Harrisson and Shadrach White appointed Constables etc.

*Sept. T.* John Davidson appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the ensuing year.

*Oct. T.* Erastus G. Harman appointed as Deputy Surveyor.

*Nov. T.* John Foster Gentleman, qualified to practice law in this Court.

1827

*Mar. T.* Hezekiah Whitt who has been continued in the office of Sheriff for the ensuing year, qualified as such, and Thomas I George and Samuel P. Davidson qualified as his deputies.

Henry P. McDowell recommended to be commissioned a Captain in the 2nd Batallion of the 112 Regiment, and Lewis Horton a Lieutenant in same and David Steele, Ensign.

Ordered that John Crockett, Clerk of this Court provide a County Seal for the County Court.

*June T.* Charles Beckem qualified to practice law in this Court. Thomas Gillespie, Hezekiah Harman and John Cecil recommended for appointment as Sheriff for ensuing year.

William Peery, Robert Gillespie, Lewis Horton, Stephen Deskins, Samuel Cecil and Guy Harrisson appointed Constables in the Second Battalion for the term of two years.

Charles E. Harrison qualified to practice law in this court.

*July T.* Thomas Cassady and William B. Thorn (?) appointed Constables in the First Battalion etc.

*Oct. T.* Samuel Laird commissioned by the Governor as Coroner of this county.

*Dec. T.* Hugh Johnston, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

1828

*Jan. T.* William Gillespie, Junr. appointed constable.

*March T.* William M. Fulton, Gentlemen, qualified to practice law in this Court.

Robert Gillespie appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Certificate of residence and good character given to James P. Pendleton, on which to base examination for license to practice law.

Joseph Belche appointed deputy Sheriff.

*June T.* A bill emancipating sundry slaves by Jacob Waggoner, Senr. ordered to be recorded.

Henry P. Davidson appointed a Constable.

Henry P. Davidson recommended to be appointed Colonel in the 112 Regiment; John Gillespie recommended to be appointed Lieutenant-Colonel; Robert Gillespie recommended for Major; Erastus G. Harman recommended for Captain; James Mahood, Lieutenant and William Harman as Ensign.

Lewis Horton recommended for Captain; Lewis Kandle, Lieutenant; George Steel, Ensign; Hiram D. Ward, Ensign.

A Plat or Map of the division line between the Counties of Giles and Tazewell was returned into Court and ordered to be recorded.

Albert G. Pendleton, granted certificate to obtain license to practice law.

*Sept. T.* Thomas K. Catlet, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was granted authority to celebrate the rites of matrimony.



*Nov. T.* Albert G. Pendleton admitted to practice law in this Court.

John J. Burum, a minister of the M. E. Church granted authority to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Dale Carter qualified to practice law in this Court.

1829

*March T.* Erastus G. Harman commissioned Captain in the 1st Battalion 112 Regiment.

Thomas Gillespie Commissioned Sheriff of the County until the next Quarterly Court; and Robert Gillespie and James McNeil appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Henry P. Davidson commissioned Colonel of the 112 Regiment.

*April T.* Act of General Assembly passed Jan. 17th, 1828, prescribing the mode of conducting Special Elections. See. Act.

Robert Gillespie commissioned Major of the 112 Regiment.

*May T.* The following persons recommended as Militia Officers in the 112th Regiment, viz: John B. Gillespie, Junr., Captain, Lorenzo D. Gillespie, Lieutenant, James Milam, Captain.

*June T.* It is ordered by the court that Eleanor, the slave of William Witten, and Polly, the slave of John B. George, be exempted from the payment of County levy and Poor rates.

Thomas I. George, William Whitman, Erastus G. Harman, John P. Bailey, Geo. W. Messick, James Meek, Archibald Thompson, Junr., William Cox and William Dills, Gentlemen, are by the Court recommended to the Governor, etc. as fit persons to be commissioned Justices of the Peace of this county.

Henry P. Davidson, James Harrison, Charles Taylor, Charles Greever, Wm. B. Thorn, Joshua Day, and Thomas Cassady are appointed Constables in the 1st Battalion of this County to serve for the term of two years.

William Peery, Samuel Cecil, William Gillespie, John C. Williams, Lewis Horton, and Guy T. Harrison are appointed Constables in the 2nd Battalion etc.

We have given the names of Constables which appear for the first thirty-one years of the County for the purpose of preserving their names as well as to show their official positions. After 1831 the names of Constables will be omitted for a few years.

"It is ordered that the Sheriff of this County collect from each tithable, seventy three cents to cover expenses of the County for last year and also the sum of twenty seven cents laid by the overseers of the Poor to cover the expenses of the Poor for the succeeding year."

"Abram, a man of Color, is granted permission to sue in this Court to obtain his freedom."

"John Laird is allowed \$150.00 for his services as Comr. of the Revenue for the present year, and John Crockett, Clerk is allowed \$20.00 for examining the Commr's Books."

*Aug. T.* James C. Spotts qualified to practice law in this Court.

Abram, the colored man slave won his suit for freedom and the Sheriff was directed to release him from custody.

*Sept. T.* William Anderson commissioned Lieutenant.

*Nov. T.* Recommended for officers in 1st Battalion, 112th Regiment; James Meek, Captain; Peter Litz, Lieutenant and David Gose, Ensign.

1830

*Feb. T.* James F. Pendleton granted certificate of residence and good character to obtain license to practice law.

Isaac Leftwick qualified to practice law in this Court.

David Fleming, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, granted authority to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

*March. T.* Hezekiah Harman, under a commission by the Governor, qualified as Sheriff of the County, and Erastus G. Harman and Kiah Harman, were appointed his deputies, and John Litz, Jailer and Deputy Sheriff.

*April. T.* George W. Hopkins, Gentleman, qualified to practice law in this Court.

*May. T.* License to keep ordinaries granted to divers persons, who proved to the Court that they were persons of "Good character, not addicted to drunkenness or gaming."

*June T.* Mathias Harman Senior, qualified as administrator of William Harman, dec'd., June 21st, 1830, and Buse Harman named as surety. Kiah Harman, William Taylor, James Mahood and Daniel Harman were appointed appraisors of William Harman's estate.

David Goodman appointed Constable.

Minor Wynn appointed School Commissioner in the room of William Williams, and Hervey George in the room of Hezekiah Harman.

*June T.* John Scaggs appointed Surveyor of road.

Joseph Stras qualified to practice law in this Court.

Campbell Harman appointed Surveyor of Road.

James F. Pendleton resigned as Deputy Clerk.

*Aug. T.* James F. Pendleton qualified to practice law in this Court.

*Sept. T.* Harvey G. Peery appointed Constable in the place of John C. Williams, resigned.

*Nov. T.* Hezekiah Harman, John Cecil and John Laird recommended by the Court for appointment as Sheriff of the County.

M. Chapman qualified to practice law in this Court.

Moses E. Kerr, minister of the M. E. Church was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Frank S. Pendleton qualified as Deputy Clerk.

John B. Gillespie recommended as Colonel in the 112th Regiment and Robert Gillespie Lieutenant-Colonel. Harvey George qualified as Major.

#### 1831

*March T.* Hezekiah Harman again qualified as Sheriff under a commission of the Governor.

Edward Boyd qualified to practice law in this Court.

John Laird's appraisers appointed.

*June T.* John Crockett received the votes of twenty-one magistrates present, and was re-elected Clerk of the Court.

Ordered that the County be divided into two districts, according to the Battallions of the County, whereupon the following persons were nominated: Constables elected for the Eastern District: Henry P. Davidson, Charles Taylor, Robert Harrison, Henry Dills and George Hall. For the Western District: Harvey G. Peery, William Peery, Louis Horton, David Gooden, Guy Harrison and James Wilson.

The following list of persons were recommended by the Court to the Governor for appointment as Justices of the Peace: William



Dills, William T. Moore, Samuel P. Davidson, Hugh Tiffany, Jr., William Cox, George W. Messick and Samuel Witten.

James C. Spotts qualified as Deputy Clerk.

*Aug. T.* Hezekiah Harman, late Sheriff of this County, was nominated for Surveyor of the County, and his nomination certified to the Governor. Said Harman having no opposition for the office.

*Sept. T.* Daniel Harman, orphan of Daniel Harman, Dec'd., chose Samuel Laird as his Guardian.

*Oct. T.* John P. Bailey appointed Commissioner of the Revenue.

*Nov. T.* Hezekiah Harman presented a Commission from the Governor appointing him Surveyor of the County for a term of seven years.

*Dec. T.* John Crockett, Clerk of the Court.

## CHAPTER X.

COUNTY COURT LAW ORDERS, FEB. 1832 TO DEC. 1841.

1832

*Feb. T.* John Crockett, Gentleman, qualified as Sheriff of the county until 1833.

*Mar. T.* William Gillespie, James W. M. Witten and Erastus G. Harman appointed deputies for John Crockett, Sheriff.

*Apr. T.* Hugh Tiffany, Jr., qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

*May T.* "The Freeholders and Householdors having failed to elect overseers of the Poor, the Court doth appoint William Smith, John Wynn and Henry Bailey to hold said office until a new election."

*June T.* Albert G. Pendleton, Esquire, Attorney prosecuting for the Commonwealth in this county, allowed \$60.00 for his services.

Edward Adkins, a Revolutionary soldier applied for a pension

"The following declaration & certificate was returned to Court and ordered to be entered in the minutes thereof, "Virginia, County of Tazewell, to wit, On the 14th day of April, 1832 personally appeared before the subscriber, a Justice of the County Court of Tazewell, being a Court of record, Edward Adkins, resident in said County, aged seventy-six years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818, & the first of May 1820: that he the said Edward Adkins enlisted & served for the term of three years & six months, on the —— day of ————— at Nelsons Ferry, in the State of New York he believes, in the Company Commanded by Captain Smith, in the Regiment under General Green in the line of the State of New York; on the Continental establishment: that he continued to serve under General Green & Marion until the end of the war when he was discharged from the service in Winchester, which he thinks is in South Carolina: that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, except the present: that his name is not on the roll of any State except New York; and that the following are the

reasons for not making earlier application for a pension; that since first informed of the law, which has been but a short time, he was ignorant in what manner or where to apply. And in pursuance of the Act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States the 18th March 1818 & that I have not since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby, so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress, entitled an Act to provide for certain persons, engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war, passed the 18th March 1818, and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities contract or debts due to me, nor have I any income whatsoever being entirely destitute of, and maintained solely by the parish wherein I reside.

Sworn to and declared on the 14th day of April 1832

SAMUEL P. DAVIDSON, J. P.

I Samuel P. Davidson, a Justice of the Court of Tazewell, holden in the County of Tazewell where the declarant resides, do hereby certify that the above named Edward Adkins is from a disease called an inflammation or soreness of his leg with which I am reliably informed & believe he has been afflicted for the space of many years, unable to attend the Court of which I am a Justice, and I do not think from present appearances that he will be able to attend the Court above named at its next session. I have therefore in pursuance of the Act of Congress of the 1st March 1823, attended at his place of abode and administered the foregoing oath.

SAMUEL P. DAVIDSON, J. P."

*July T.* Adopted a plan and appointed James Meek, Thomas Fowler, William Cox, James C. Spotts, and David Wade to receive proposals for constructing a new Court House. The said court house to be completed by the 25th day of December, 1833.

Addison Crockett elected and qualified as constable.

Samuel Witten qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

*Aug. T.* Low Brown made declaration as a Revolutionary soldier:

"On the 21st day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of the County aforesaid, Low Brown, resident of the said County of Tazewell and State of Virginia aged seventy-six years, who being first sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the



following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th. 1832. That he enlisted in the Illinois regiment of the army of the United States in the year 1779 with Captain Jesse Evans and served in the Illinois regiment under the following named officers Colonel George Rogers Clark Lieutenant Col. John Montgomery Col., in the Company of Captain Jesse Evans; that he left the service the first day of August 1780 as appears from a discharge of that date, under the hand of Lieutenant Colonel John Montgomery certifying that his time of enlistment (which was eighteen months) had expired at that time that at the time of his enlistment he resided in the County of Montgomery State of Virginia, that he marched through the country at present the States of Tennessee and Kentucky by water from the mouth of big Creek which empties into Holstein to the mouth of Tennessee river, and then to Kaskaskia in Illinois by water. He hereby relinquishes his every claim whatever to a pension or any annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State—sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. LOW BROWN.

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states.”

Peter Gose elected, by the Justices present, as Commissioner of the Revenue for the ensuing year.

Joseph Stras appears frequently as Commissioner to settle accounts with Fiduciaries.

*Oct. T.* John Crockett, Clerk of the county.

Declaration of Thomas Witten, a Revolutionary soldier:

“On the 15th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of Tazewell County in the State of Virginia, now sitting, Thomas Witten a resident of Tazewell and State of Virginia, aged eighty years in the month of January next, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he was ensign regularly commissioned and belonged to the Company commanded by Captain Thomas Mastin, and Lieutenant James Max-

well when he first entered the service early in the month of June, 1776 and was attached to the State regiment Commanded by Col. William Preston and Major Walter Crockett who was afterwards promoted the appointment of Col. — That the duty which as ensign to the appointment of Col. — That the duty which as ensign aforesaid, during the remainder of the year 1776, which devolved upon the said Thomas Witten, and the Company to which he belonged, was to perform frequent scouting expeditions as Indian Spies to defend the western frontier of Virginia lying along the valley of Clinch river from the head waters of Bluestone river to the forks of Clinch river within the now limits of Russell County in the State aforesaid from the massacres of the Indians by whom the whole western border was then infested That he resided in the now County of Tazewell in the State of Virginia, then perhaps Montgomery, That he does not now remember whether he was drafted or not, but he thinks that he was called out by an order of the Commanding officer Col. William Preston, That he was engaged in no general battle or engagement during his scouting expedition in the year 1776 but partook in several little skirmishes and was an eye witness of some of many instances of unhuman butchery and massacres committed upon the frontier families within the range of his marches, That none of the regular soldiers were quartered in the western frontier for the protection and defence of the settlers, but that the militia were occasionally drafted and sent to the relief of the frontiers from the counties of Montgomery and Washington embracing all that section of country now comprised in the counties of Lee, Scott, Russell, Tazewell, Giles, Grayson Monroe etc. etc.

The said Thomas Witten further states that he continued to act as an ensign as aforesaid, until the close of the revolutionary war—that he thinks that he was engaged as an Indian Spy, as aforesaid fully six months in each year, and the ballance of each year were permitted by the commanding officers to return to their families and remain at home during the winters of each year from the year 1776 til the termination of the revolutionary war, when the Indians ceased to annoy and murder the settlers upon the said frontier. That he does not now know what has become of his commission as ensign, but thinks upon his resigning he surrendered it to his commanding officer, so that it is not now in his power to produce it. That he knows of three persons now living who can testify to his services



aforesaid viz, William Cecil, Nancy Cecil and Joseph Oney. Hereby relinquishes any claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

THOMAS WITTEN.

And on the 15th day of October, 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the same Court hereinbefore named now sitting William Cecil a witness in behalf of Thomas Witten herein, in open Court who being first duly sworn according to Law, deposeth and saith that he has been acquainted with Thomas Witten for many years and that he knows that the said Thomas Witten served as an Indian Spy in the war of the revolution and from the best of his recollection he believes that the foregoing declaration sworn to and subscribed by the said Thomas Witten contains a true and correct recital of the services of the said Thomas Witten, and that the said Thomas Witten was an ensign during the time of his services as aforesaid and that he was a private belonging to the Company in which the said Thomas Witten was ensign. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

WILLIAM CECIL.

This day Nancy Cecil personally appeared in open Court, before the same Court herein before named, and after being first duly sworn according to Law deposeth and saith, that she was acquainted with Thomas Witten herein named in the time of the revolutionary war and that to her knowledge the said Thomas Witten served in the war of the revolution as an ensign in the Company commanded by Captain Thomas Mastin, and Lieutenant James Maxwell and that she believes the foregoing declaration sworn to and subscribed by the said Thomas Witten contains a true and correct statement of the services of the said Witten in the war of the revolution Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

NANCY CECIL.

This day Joseph Oney personally appeared before the County Court of Tazewell County in the State of Virginia, in open Court who after being first duly sworn according to Law, deposeth and saith that he has been acquainted with Thomas Witten for many years and that he was a private in the Company of Capt. Thomas Mastin and that the said Thomas Witten was an Ensign in the same Company in the war of the revolution and continued to serve as such



until the close of the revolutionary war. That he believes the foregoing declaration sworn to and subscribed by the said Thomas Witten contains a true and correct statement of the services of the said Witten in the revolution. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid. JOSEPH ONEY.

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion, after hearing the testimony of William Cecil, Nancy Cecil and Joseph Oney that the above named applicant Thomas Witten was an Indian Spy in the revolutionary war, and served as he states. And the said Court doth further certify upon their own knowledge from a long acquaintance with the before named witnesses who have signed the preceding affidavits, are citizens of Tazewell County except Joseph Oney who is a resident of the County of Giles and credible persons, and that their statements are entitled to credit."

"State of Virginia Tazewell County, to wit,

On the 16th day of October 1832, personally appeared in open Court, before the County Court of Tazewell County in the State of Virginia now sitting William Cecil a resident of Tazewell County and State of Virginia aged about eighty-three years, who being first duly sworn, according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States early in the year 1776 in the now County of Tazewell in the State of Virginia under Captain Thomas Mastin, Lieutenant James Maxwell and ensign Thomas Witten, and that the said Company belonged to the regiment of the Virginia State line, commanded by Col. William Preston and Major Walter Crockett, that at the time when he first entered the service as aforesaid he resided in the County of Tazewell then called Montgomery, where he has continued to reside ever since, That the company to which he belonged was never required by the commanding officers of the regiment to which it was attached, to perform any other duty in the war of the revolution, except as Indian Spies to defend the western frontier of Virginia. That he continued with his said Company to perform that duty fully six months in each year from 1776 till the final termination and close of the revolutionary war. The said William Cecil further states, that the Company to which he belonged, consisted of men mostly resident on the border country, and during the period aforesaid from 1776 till the close of the war, they were kept

in continual readiness, and were never regularly discharged, or called out for any definite period of time, as the Militia from the adjacent country who were drafted to perform regular routines of duty, and that they were permitted every year upon the approach of winter to return to their respective homes, subject to be called out against the Indians as fresh emergencies might require. That he was in no battle of any importance during the time of his services aforesaid except those little skirmishes common to the savage mode of warfare, that he was an eye witness to some of the many instances of unhuman butchery and massacre committed by the Indians upon the families of the frontier settlers. That he does not think the Company to which he belonged was drafted to perform tours of duty, but being composed chiefly of the frontier settlers where the Indians were more particularly troublesome, and which suffered mostly from their contiguity to the ruthless savage, with a sparse population and in a situation comparatively defenceless and unprotected, they were always kept in readiness and regarded by the officers of the said regiment as minute men; that the Company to which he belonged was chiefly engaged during the period aforesaid, in defending that part of the western frontier of Virginia, lying along the Valley of Clinch river from the head waters of Blue Stone river to the forks of Clinch river in the now County of Russell. The said William Cecil further states, that none of the continental Troops or officers of the regular army of the United States, were ever sent to the relief of that part of the western frontier to which he belonged, that he now remembers, nor was he acquainted with any of the officers of the regular army. That in the whole he served in the war of the revolution as an Indian Spy, aforesaid fully six months in each year from 1776 until the close of that war, and that he knows of three persons now living, who can testify to his service as herein stated, viz, Thomas Witten who was his ensign, Joseph Oney and Nancy Cecil. That being permitted to return to his home every winter to be recalled the ensuing spring, he never obtained a regular discharge in writing from his commanding officer, so that he cannot now produce that evidence of his services.

He hereby relinquished every claim whatever to a pension and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

WILLIAM CECIL.



This day Thomas Witten personally appeared before the County Court of Tazewell County in open Court now sitting, and being duly sworn according to law; doth on his oath say that he has been acquainted with William Cecil, the above named applicant, who has subscribed the foregoing declaration, and that the said William Cecil served as is stated in the said declaration in the war of the revolution, as an Indian Spy under Captain Thomas Mastin, Lieutenant James Maxwell and himself as ensign, and that the said Company formed part of the regiment of the Virginia State line commanded by Col. William Preston and Major Walter Crockett. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

THOMAS WITTEN.

This day came Joseph Oney personally before the same Court in open Court now sitting, and after being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath say, that he has been acquainted with William Cecil the above named applicant, who has subscribed the foregoing declaration, for many years, and was with the said Cecil as an Indian Spy in the war of the revolution, and that the foregoing declaration, subscribed as aforesaid by the said William Cecil, contains a correct recital of the services of the said Cecil as aforesaid in the war of the revolution, under Thomas Mastin, Lieutenant James Maxwell, and Ensign Thomas Witten, and that the said Company formed a part of the regiment of the Virginia State line, commanded by Col. William Preston and Major Walter Crockett. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

JOSEPH ONEY.

And the said Court do hereby certify their opinion, after hearing the testimony of Thomas Witten and Joseph Oney who have sworn to and subscribed the foregoing affidavits that the above named applicant was an Indian Spy in the war of the revolution and served as he states. And the Court further certifies that it appears to them from a long personal acquaintance with, that Thomas Witten and Joseph Oney who have sworn to and subscribed the foregoing affidavits are credible persons and that their statements are entitled to full credit.

“State of Virginia, Tazewell County to wit

On this 16th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of Tazewell County now sitting, Joseph Oney a resident of Giles County in the State of Virginia,



aged about seventy-nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the services of the United States to the best of his present recollection in the spring of the year 1777, under Captain Thomas Mastin, Lieutenant James Maxwell and Ensign Thomas Witten, and that the said Company belonged to the Virginia State line Regiment commanded by Col. Williams Preston and Major Walter Crockett. That at the time he first entered the services aforesaid that he resided in the now County of Tazewell, then perhaps the County of Montgomery. That the Company to which he belonged was never called upon by the commanding officers of the Regiment to which it was attached, to perform any other services in the war of the revolution except as Indian Spies to defend the wesern frontier. That he continued with his said Company to perform that duty fully six months in each year for four years, when he left the neighborhood in which he then lived, and removed to Walkers Creek within the then County of Montgomery, but now County of Giles where he has resided ever since. The said Joseph Oney further states that the company to which he belonged consisted of men mostly resident upon the frontier, and that during the period of four years aforesaid they were kept in continual readiness, and never regularly discharged as the Malitia from the adjacent County, who were drafted to perform regular tours or routine duty, but that they were permitted every year upon the approach of winter, to return to their homes, subject to be called out against the Indians as fresh emergencies might require. That he was in no general engagement during the time of his services as aforesaid, except those little skirmishes which characterize the savage mode of warfare. That he witnessed some among the many instances of indiscriminate ferocity and barbarism inflicted by the Savage enemy upon the families of the frontier settlers. That he does not think the company to which he belonged was drafted to perform tours of duty, but that it was composed of the resident men of the country in which the Indians were peculiarly troublesome, and which suffered most from their immediate exposure to the ruthless savage, that the population of the country was then sparse, and comparatively defenceless and that from their contiguity to the abodes of the Indians, were always regarded by superior and inferior officers

of the Regiment as minute men always ready upon the shortest warning to assemble in defence of the frontier settlements, situated in the Valley of Clinch river from the head waters of Bluestone river, to the forks of Clinch river in the now County of Russell. He further states that none of the Continental troops were ever sent to the relief of that part of the western frontier to which he belonged, that he now remembers, nor was he acquainted with any of the officers of the regular army. That in the whole he served in the war of the revolution fully two years, that being six months in each year for four years.

That he knows of three persons now living in the county of Tazewell who can testify to his services as herein stated viz, William Cecil, Thomas Witten his old Ensign in the war aforesaid, and Nancy Cecil. The affidavits of the two former is herewith transmitted to the war Department. That being permitted to return to his home every winter to be called into service again the ensuing spring, he never obtained any regular discharge in writing from his commanding officers, so that he cannot now produce that evidence of his services.

He hereby relinquished every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and declares that his name is ~~not~~ on the pension roll of any agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

JOSEPH ONEY.

This day came William Cecil personally before the County Court of Tazewell County now sitting, and after being first duly sworn according to law, doth in open court depose and say, that he served with Joseph Oney who has subscribed the foregoing declaration in the war of the revolution in the Company of Captain Thomas Mastin, Lieutenant James Maxwell and Ensign Thomas Witten, and that the said Joseph Oney served in the said Company in the war of the revolution as an Indian Spy on the western frontier of Virginia as he has stated in his foregoing declaration, and that the said company to which the said Oney belonged was attached to the Regiment of the Virginia line, commanded by Col. William Preston and Major Walter Crockett. Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid

WILLIAM CECIL.

This day came Thomas Witten personally before the County Court of Tazewell County and after being first duly sworn according



to law, doth in open court depose and say, that Joseph Oney who hath subscribed the foregoing declaration, served as is stated in the said declaration in the war of the revolution as an Indian Spy upon the western frontier of Virginia, and that the said Oney belonged during the whole period of his service in that war to the company commanded by Captain Thomas Mastin, Lieutenant James Maxwell and himself the said Thomas Witten as Ensign, and that the said company belonged to the State Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Col. William Preston and Major Walter Crockett. Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid.

THOMAS WITTEN.

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion after hearing the testimony of Thomas Witten and William Cecil that the above named applicant was an Indian Spy in the war of the revolution, and served as he states. And the Court further certifies that Thomas Witten and William Cecil who have sworn to and subscribed the foregoing affidavits are credible persons, and that their statements are entitled to full credit."

*Nov. T.* "Hugh Tiffany Senr., a native of Ireland this day on oath declared his intention to become a citizen, and renounced allegiance to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever and particularly to William the 4th, King of Great Brittain & Ireland."

John Prewett's declaration as a Revolutionary Soldier:  
"State of Virginia—Tazewell County to wit,

On the 20 day of November 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of said County of Tazewell now sitting, John Prewett, resident of the said County and in the State of Virginia—aged 72 years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress the 7th June 1832. That he enlisted in the service of the United States about the latter part of May in the year 1775 under recruiting officer by the name of Edmanson, his first name not recollected the regiment and line to which he belonged he does not recollect, but well remembers that the campaign for which he was designed was called McIntosh Campaign Genl. McIntosh was the commander at the regiment to which he was to be attached, and Genl. Gray was an other field Officer Captain Michael Dougherty and Lieutenant Joseph Prion were the



officers of his company. That he resided in the county of Washington and State of Virginia at the time he entered in the service. That he was marched to Anderson ferry on James River where the army to which he belonged remained for about three months, waiting for other companies which were expected to join them, from thence he was marched to the Light levels in the County of Greenbrier where his officers that saw proper to detain about a month longer, with the hope of being joined by the expected re-inforcements agreeable to their expectations they were joined by two other companies and he was then marched to the mouth of Elkhorn river where the army in consequence of the season it being in January or February, were compelled to encamp and remain there till the first of March 1776 as this applicant thinks it was. They were here joined Genl. Broadhead from the head quarters of McIntosh's army as this applicant was informed, which was then some where in the Ohio State; Genl. Broadhead took charge of the provisions etc. and the army at this place and dispensed with the forces of Genl. Gray, and permitted him to march them back. On his return with his men Genl. Gray met with Captain James Thompson with a company of men who were on their way to join McIntosh at Col. Donalsons in the County of Greenbrier; that he and some other of his fellow soldiers not hearing, served out the time for which they enlisted, were forced to join Capt. Thompson's company & retrace their steps under his command to the mouth of Elkhorn, here he stopped to procure a supply of provisions & was delayed till about the first of May, about which time Capt. Thompson received orders that his services would not be demanded and that he might return home; That he was immediately marched back to the house of William Thompson in the County of Montgomery, where he and his fellow soldiers were dismissed, and told that they could get their regular discharge at any time that they would apply for it; that he never considered that it would be of any benefit to him and therefore never afterward applied for it; and that he had served out the full time for which he enlisted when he was dismissed by Captain Thompson, which was eighteen months, & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure that can testify to his service as stated. And that again in the year 1778, he was called out with many others of his countrymen under the command of Capt. Henry Patten, Lieutenant James Marrs, the other officers not recollected, to

defend the frontier settlements from the depredation of the Indians, who had lately killed and carried off some persons in the settlements near the Clover bottoms; they pursued them to Cole River but being unable to come up with them, they were marched back, and dismissed in the county of Montgomery, where they started from having been in the service this time about three weeks. And that again in the same year & about the month of May or first of April he was called out under the command of the same officers and Col. Cloyd as field officer to pursue the Indians who had killed and taken prisoners several families on New River when they arrived at the place where the Indians had committed their cruelties, they were informed that Capt. Wood with a company of men had pursued them, he was then marched back to Montgomery the place where he lived when he started on this expedition, and dismissed, having been in the service this tour about two weeks. Again in the fall of the year 1779, that he was stationed under Capt. Patton at the Lead Mines in the county of Wythe for one month to guard the mines from the Tories. Again in the year 1779, and about ——— weeks after he was discharged from service at the lead mines and while still a resident of the County of Montgomery, he was called out in the Militia, under the command of Col. Cloyd, Capt. Patterson, Lieutenant James Marrs and Ensign Daniel Howe to traverse the country about New River and part of North Carolina to rid it of the Tories who had become very troublesome about this time he was marched from Montgomery to the Moravian Towns in North Carolina by the Mulberry fields to near the head of New River where our Company was met by Genl. William Campbell, who had been in pursuit of the same enemy from this place he was marched down New River to Montgomery and dismissed having been about four or five weeks in the service during this expedition and that again in the year 1781 and the month of February he was drafted to go out under the command of Genl William Preston, Col. Cloyd the field officer and Capt. Patten Lieutenant Daniel Howe & John Day Ensign, the officers of the Company. These forces were intended as a reinforcement for the Southern army under the command of General Green, he was marched to North Carolina and on the night previous to the Battle of Whitsels Mills they joined Genl. Green and Pickens. He was in that engagement as well as another skirmish some days previous on the Alamans that after the engagement of Whitsels Mills



from about the first of February 1781 until some time in March following, as will appear by the affidavit of Daniel Howe hereto annexed. He was marched about to different places in North Carolina and was discharged at Giford Court House a few days previous to the Battle at that place the time for which he was drafted having expired. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not in the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

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John x Prewett."  
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"State of Virginia Tazewell County.

On this 20th day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared in Open Court before the County Court of Tazewell County now sitting. John McLaughlin aged about seventy-six years, a witness for John Prewett, who after being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath say and depose, that in the year 1778 he was in the service of the United States and that the regiment to which he belonged joined the Virginia Regiment to which John Prewett belonged, at a place in the State of North Carolina called the Balled Field but the said John McLaughlin does not now remember how long he then served with the said Prewett in the war of the revolution. He further deposes and says that he was also in the service aforesaid with the said Prewett, in the years 1779 and 1781 but how long he cannot now remember and the service rendered by the said Prewett whilst in the same army with the said John McLaughlin, were chiefly rendered in the State of North Carolina, but at one time they were together in the edge of South Carolina. That he then became personally acquainted with the said John Prewett who has sworn to and subscribed the foregoing declaration — and the said John McLaughlin further says on oath as aforesaid that he believes that declaration contains a true and correct recital of the services of the said John Prewett in the war of the revolution. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

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John x McLaughlin  
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"John McLaughlin presented a declaration for a pension which was sworn to, examined and certified by the Court."

"Alexander Sayers presented a declaration to obtain the benefit of the pension law, passed on the 7th June 1832, which was sworn to examined by the Court and ordered to be certified

*Dec. T.* Present. Ambrose Hall, James C. Davidson, Philip Lambert, Hugh Tiffany, Peter Gose and Samuel Witten, Gentlemen Justices.

William and Phylis Wynn, orphans of Robert Wynn, choose Lavina Wynne as their guardian.

1833

*Jan. T.* Henry B. Harman was sworn in as Deputy Surveyor of the County.

Hezekiah Harman was appointed to survey and run off the lines of the town of Jeffersonville and that he place at each corner in said lines a stone of proper size, well fixed in the ground, and make report to court, accompanied with a plat of the town and certificates. And that John Crockett and Hugh Tiffany and Thomas Peery attend and superintend the execution of the said survey.

*Feb. T.* "David Lusk presented in court a declaration for a pension, which was sworn to, examined and ordered to be certified according to law."

*Mar. T.* John Cecil qualified as Sheriff of the County and James W. M. Witten, William M. Gillespie, and James McNeil qualified as his deputies.

Guy Harrison resigned his office as constable in the 2nd Battalion of the 112th Regiment of the Virginia Militia, and Daniel Christian was appointed to fill the vacancy; and Thomas Harrison and Guy Harrison became his sureties.

"Jane, Sally, Thomas and William Peery, orphans of James Peery, deceased, with the approbation of the Court, made choice of Martha Peery for their Guardian, and the Court doth appoint the said Martha Peery Guardian to Martha, Mary, Nancy, James, Elizabeth and Julia, other infant children of the said James Peery deceased; and thereupon the said Martha Peery with Robert Allen and William Brown her security, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$2,000 conditioned as the law directs."

*May T.* "It is ordered that William Hall and Daniel Harman (Sandy) be exempted from paying county levy and poor rates, in consequence of age and infirmity."

*June T.* The Justices on the bench proceeded to elect constables as follows: George P. Hall, Duncan Cameron, Henry Davidson, Addison Crockett for the Eastern District, and Hervey G. Peery James B. Wilson, Milton L. Lockhart and David Goodwin for the Western District.

"Ordered that Thomas P. Rader be allowed the sum of \$3.00 for copying the draft of the New Court House, which is to be paid out of the years levy."

On motion of Moses Christian and others, it is ordered that a Bridleway from Sinking Waters to Rays Fork of Sandy be established.

Bird Lockhart and Cornelius White recommended for Justices of the Peace.

Elisha Mustard was presented by the Grand Jury for selling two bales of cotton in the county of Tazewell, without license, to Duncan Cameron on the 1st day of January, 1833.

Daniel Harman was presented by the Grand Jury for failing to keep the public road of which he is Surveyor, in legal repair. These are the only indictments found at this term of the Court

*July T.* David Payne authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony "on the waters of Sandy" in this County.

*Sept. T.* Alexander Harrison and Samuel Witten were chosen by the votes of the Justices as Commissioners of the Revenue for the County.

1834

*Jan T.* John Wynne, Gentleman, presented his Commission and qualified as Sheriff.

*Feb. T.* Hiram Ingram a preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church, took the oath of allegiance.

*Mar. T.* "Jared Bolin presented in Court a declaration for a pension, accompanied with the necessary certificates, which was sworn to and certified as the law required."

"Elisha McGuire, who has been commissioned a Lieutenant of Malitia in the first Batallion in this county, this day appeared in Court and took the oaths prescribed by law."

Francis R. Gregory and George W. Jones qualified to practice law.

*May T.* George W. G. Brown, Gentleman, qualified to practice law.

William Cox appointed a director to construct road from Price's Turnpike to Cumberland Gap.

Ordered Sheriff to summon the Justices to lay levy to build road from Price's Turnpike to Cumberland Gap, and to sue contractors for construction of the Court House.

"Ordered that the sum of \$1.50 be levied upon each tithable in this county for the purpose of paying the claims against the county, and the poor rates for the present year."

*June T.* Resolutions of the Court on the death of Joseph Draper, Attorney at Law:

"Whereas information is given to this Court by George W. G. Browne, Esq. of the death of Joseph Draper, Esq. late a practising Attorney at this Bar, Resolved therefore, that this Court receives this intelligence with sincere sorrow: Resolved that this Court deeply sympathize with the Bar and with the connexions of the deceased in their grief for the loss of a man so distinguished in his profession and so valuable as a member of society. Resolved that in testimony of the regard in which this Court holds the memory of the deceased, the members Attorneys and Officers thereof will wear the usual badge of mourning for 30 days.

Resolved that copies of this order be transmitted to the parents and widow of the Deceased in token of the sympathy felt by this Court for their loss.

Resolved that these resolutions be published in the Western Virginia Argus and Virginia Republican."

Appointed Hervey George, Henry Bowen, James Meek, William Taylor and William Barns to meet with five delegates from each of the counties of Botetourt, Giles, Russell, Scott and Lee, at Jeffersonville, to decide on matter of building road from Price's Turnpike to Cumberland Gap.

*July T.* James C. Tate admitted to practice law in this Court.

*Aug. T.* John B. Floyd and Henry S. Kaine, attorneys, admitted to practice law in this Court.



*Sept. T.* John B. Gillespie and William Barnes were elected commissioners of the Revenue for the County, by a vote of the Justices, sitting as a court.

*Oct. T.* A deed of Emancipation for a slave by William Thompson, John Cecil and Thomas Witten, heirs of James Witten, deceased, admitted to record.

Charles Greever elected by the Justices, constable in the first Batallion, in place of George P. Hall, resigned.

John Justice appointed Constable to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Duncan Cameron in the First Batallion.

*Nov. T.* Elizabeth Quicksall and John Quicksall were appointed to administer on the estate of Jonathan Quicksall, deceased.

1835

*Jan. T.* Adam Harman and Lavicy, his wife, to William Harman deed admitted.

*Feb. T.* John Wynne re-appointed Sheriff of the County.

"Lee County having declined to accept the provisions of the Act of Assembly in respect to the construction of the road from Price's turnpike to Cumberland Gap. Joseph Stras and James C. Tate were designated to present to the authorities of Lee County the great advantages of said road and ask that said authorities reverse their former decision, and agree to cooperate."

*Mar. T.* John C. Price, Gentleman, admitted to practice law in this Court.

William P. Wynne and James McNeill appointed Deputy Sheriffs of this county.

*July T.* "William Witten Jr., Henry P. McDowell, John Justice, Charles H. Greever, Addison Crockett and Jeremiah Lambert, were declared duly appointed Constables, in the Eastern District of the County, to serve for two years, the Court being of opinion that they are men of honesty, probity and good demeanor".

"Harvey G. Peery, Lorenzo D. Gillespie, George Steele, Milton Lambert, and Robert Shortridge were declared duly appointed constables in the Western District of this county to serve for the term of two years, the Court being of opinion that they were men of honesty, probity and good demeanor."

“On motion of Jonathan Peery and James P. Harman, administrators of Mathias Harman, deceased, James C. Spotts, a Commissioner was appointed to settle said estate.”

*Sept T.* Fifteen Justices on the bench. “Henry B. Harman having received a majority of the votes of the Justices present polled viva voce in open court (for the Eastern District) it is ordered that he be appointed Commissioner of the Revenue in the Eastern District of this county for the ensuing year”.

Thomas H. Gillespie, having received a majority of votes on the final poll of the Justices present etc., was appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the Western District of the county for the ensuing year.

Benjamin R. Floyd admitted to practice law.

The new Court House was ordered to be received as requested by Thomas J. George, one of the contractors.

October 28th “*At a Court of Quarterly Sessions begun and held*” etc.

“Samuel Laird being nominated, was unanimously elected to the office of Constable in the 2nd Battalion, in the place of Harvey G. Peery, retired.”

“Samuel Laird, appointed Deputy Sheriff of the county, the Court being of opinion that the said Samuel Laird is a man of honesty, probity and good demeanor.”

On same day, Samuel Laird resigned the office of Coroner of the County.

Dec. 31st. Jane Harman, John Harman and Mathias B. Harman, orphans of Mathias Harman, deceased, with the approbation of the Court, made choice of Buse Harman as their guardian, and therefore the said Buse Harman with Hezekiah Harman, his surety, gave bond in the penalty of 3,000.

*Jan. T.* William Taylor, Gentleman, qualified as Sheriff of the County and executed bond in the penalty of \$30,000.

Kiah Harman recommended to the Executive for appointment as Escheator in the place of William Harman, resigned.

Minor Wynn qualified as coroner of the county during good behavior.

*Mar. T.* “On motion of John Crockett, Clerk of this Court, Geo. W. G. Browne is permitted to qualify as his deputy.”

Charles Taylor, Robert G. Harrison and James Harrison appointed deputy Sheriffs of the County.

James W. Sheffey, an attorney at law, was admitted to practice law in this court.

Mathias Harman, Senior and Mathias Harman, Jr. et als. view a "bridleway from the back valley to the Reedy Spring on Dry Fork of Sandy, leaving the Back Valley at the gap on this side of Ebb Brewster's etc." As old Mathias Harman had previously died, the Mathias Senior here mentioned must have referred to his son, and Mathias Jr. to his grandson.

*Apr. T.* Charles H. Greever appointed a deputy for William Taylor, Sheriff of the county.

*June T.* "Ordered that the attorneys practicing in this court have leave at their own expense to make an alteration in the Bar of the Court room by removing the partition now standing therein and by closing the ends of the bar."

"Ordered that Peter Gose, William Cox, Erastus G. Harman, John Wynn and Samuel Witten be appointed Commissioners of Roads in this county in pursuance of the Act of March 3, 1835."

"Ordered that the sum of four dollars be allowed as the reward for killing a wolf above the age of six months and two dollars be the reward for killing a wolf under the age of six months; that one dollar be the reward for killing an old red fox, and fifty cents for killing a fox under the age of six months, to be paid out of the county levy."

"Ordered that a levy be laid on the lands and lots in this county equal to the amount of Revenue charged on the same by the existing laws, to be applied when collected, to the construction of the Cumberland Gap Road."

"Ordered that nine hours labor be taken as a day's labor, and that the value of a day's labor on said road be fixed at fifty cents".

"Hezekiah Harman, surveyor of this county and Henry Smith surveyor of Russell County, heretofore appointed to run the line between the two counties, in part, this day rendered a report which is ordered to be filed."

"Ordered that Hervey George and Thomas Peery be appointed to ascertain the expense of procuring a suitable tract of land and erecting a poor house; also the difference of expense of supporting the poor of this county in the present method and by means of a poor house."



Kiah Harman qualified as Escheator of the county of Tazewell

“Ordered that the following shall be the rate for keeping live stock taken in execution etc.” For keeping a horse for one day, .04c; for cattle, .03c and for sheep .01½c.

*July T.* John W. C. Watson was admitted to practice law in this court.

*Sept. T.* Seventeen Justices on the bench.

Alexander Harrison was, by the votes of the Justices, chosen as Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District and Chapman A. Spotts for the Western District of the county.

John Luster qualified as constable.

*Dec. T.* Henry B. Harman re-appointed Deputy Surveyor of the County.

Seventeen Justices on the bench.

Twenty-three Justices had been summoned for Dec. Term of the Court.

John Cook appointed as Constable in the Eastern District to fill the vacancy of John M. Compton, resigned.

John C. Harrison appointed Deputy Sheriff.

## 1837

*Feb. T.* Richard P. Mathews, Esq. qualified to practice law in this court.

John Young (of Charles) appointed a constable in the Eastern District of this county.

Occasionally insolvent debtors were confined in jail.

*Mar. T.* William Taylor qualified as Sheriff of the county and executed bond for \$30,000.

James Harrison, Charles Taylor, John C. Harrison and Charles H. Greever appointed Deputy Sheriffs.

Christina Harman and Henry Harman dec'd. Appraisement of their estates ordered to be recorded.

Erastus G. Harman, Alexander Harrison, James C. Spotts, Thomas S. Carnahan and Hervey G. Peery qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Rates and prices to be paid at all ordinaries within this county: “Dinner, 25 cents; supper and breakfast, each, 18¾ cents; for ½ pint brandy or whiskey, 12½ cents; for ½ pint French brandy 25

cents; for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  pint rum or wine  $18\frac{3}{4}$  cents; lodging,  $6\frac{1}{4}$  cents; for 1 gallon corn or oats,  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents; for horse at hay 12 hours  $8\frac{1}{2}$  cents."

Kiah Harman appointed Deputy Surveyor of the county.

*May T.* Noted that William Cecil a Revolutionary soldier departed this life December 11th, 1836, leaving Nancy Cecil, his widow.

*June T.* Robert Gillespie authorized to procure a seal for this court.

Charles F. Tiffany was elected Overseer of the Poor in the place of John Davidson, who was taken from this county by the formation of the new county of Mercer.

Daniel Harman (D's Son) appointed Overseer of the Road.

David Hall, Jr., qualified to practice law in this court.

Frequent exemptions of men from payment of county taxes on account of old age and infirmity. Also exemption from working on public roads for same reason.

James Meek qualified as a Justice of the Peace, having been appointed by Wyndham Robertson, Lieutenant Governor and acting as Governor of the Commonwealth. Quite a number of appointments, etc. recently made by said Lieutenant Governor.

"Ordered that a levy be laid on all lands and lots, and that fifty cents be collected from each tithable, and applied to the construction of the Cumberland Gap Road. And that fifty cents be collected from each tithable to be applied to the construction of the road from the Cove across Clinch Mountain."

"Ordered that JOSHUA, a slave, belonging to the estate of the late Henry Harman, dec'd, be exempted from the payment of county levy and poor rates, on account of old age and infirmity."

"It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by the testimony of respectable witnesses that William McGuire late of Tazewell County, State of Virginia, a revolutionary pensioner departed this life on the 5th day of March, 1837 leaving no widow, and that the said William McGuire left nine surviving children who are still living, to wit, Polly Wingo, wife of William Wingo, late Polly McGuire, Hannah Johnston, wife of Daniel Johnston, late Hannah McGuire, Nancy McGuire, Ellen Huckley, wife of Joshua Hucklev. late Ellen McGuire, Joshua McGuire, William McGuire, John McGuire and Priscilla Crum, wife of Henry Crum and that these are the only children left by the said McGuire, Rachel Lewis, wife

of Benjamin Lewis, one of the children of said William McGuire, having previously departed this life leaving \_\_\_\_\_ her children and heirs. The Court orders these facts to be spread on the record."

"Ordered that the county be divided into two districts for constables by the Batallion line."

Twenty-four magistrates present and voting for constables.

Constables elected in the Eastern District: Addison Crockett, Jeremiah Lambert, Joseph H. Wynne, Charles H. Greever and Henry P. McDowell.

Constables elected for the Western District; Thomas H. Gillespie, Samuel Laird, Daniel Horton, Jr., Witten Cecil, John Young, Jacob Webb, Edward Harrison and Reese Crabtree.

William Cox allowed the sum of \$24.00 for his services as Director of the Cumberland Gap and Price's Turnpike road on the part of this county.

*Sept. T.* George P. Thompson appointed constable in Eastern Dist. in the place of Addison Crockett, resigned.

*Nov. T.* Joseph Moore elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District; and Bird Lockhart for the Western Dist.

"George W. G. Browne directed to transcribe the proceedings of this court from the 6th day of May, 1800 to Feb 11th, 1802, as contained in a paper book filed in the office; also records from March 14th, 1805 till 22nd May 1810; and also from the 21st day of March 1831 to 23rd November 1831; also Execution Book from August court 1800 to July 6th 1822." It appears from this Order that some kind of court proceedings were had in May, prior to the June term, which has previously been recorded wherein Henry Harman was "allowed \$2.00 for trouble in holding the first court at his house" This does not change the fact that the first court was held at the home of Henry Harman, Jr. It only implies that some court preliminaries had been held there in May, as the Act fixes the first term to be held at said Harman's.

*Dec. T.* Christopher A. Tabler, Esq. qualified to practice law in this court.

Ordered an election for overseers of the Poor. Only freeholders and housekeepers are qualified to vote in said election.



1838

*Jan. T.* The right of Robert Morris in 75,000 acres of land was ordered to be conveyed.

The Justices having met for the purpose of electing a Clerk of the Court for a term of seven years, three candidates presented themselves, to wit: John Crockett, James C. Spotts and George W. G. Browne. On first ballot Crockett received twelve votes, Spotts ten and Browne ten. On second ballot Crockett received twelve, Spotts ten and Brown ten. On third ballot viva voce in open court the vote was unchanged. The court thereupon took a short recess, and on reassembling James C. Spotts withdrew his name and the following votes were cast: for Crockett thirteen, and Browne nineteen, William Gillespie declining to vote. Thereupon George W. G. Browne was declared duly elected for a term of seven years.

Erastus G. Harman was nominated for the office of assistant assessor for the Eastern District and William Barnes was nominated for Western District. Recommendations to the Governor for appointment of these two men.

*July T.* David P. Atkins appointed Constable in the Western District in the place of John Luster, resigned.

Thomas Davis appointed Deputy Surveyor of the county on motion of Hez Harman, Surveyor.

Thomas S. Gillespie was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District and William Thompson for the Western District.

Henry Bowen qualified as Sheriff of this county. William P. Wynne, David Gose, James McNeil and John Young, qualified as his deputies.

1839

*Jan. T.* Hezekiah Harman produced a Commission under the hand of the Governor, and with the seal of the Commonwealth thereto affixed, appointing him Surveyor of this county for the term of seven years from the date hereof.

*Feb. T.* Andrew S. Fulton admitted to practice law in this court. The compiler of these records was present in Bland County Court about 1867 or 1868 when Adrew S. Fulton, who was then Circuit Judge, announced his resignation because he refused to take the "Iron Clad Oath"

Henry Bowen qualified as Sheriff of the county for his second term.

William P. Wynne, David Gose, James McNeil and Davidson Atkins qualified as Deputy Sheriffs.

Joseph Stras appointed a Commissioner to state and settle various accounts etc.

*March T.* Edward Collins qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Certain Commissioners appointed to superintend the election at the following voting places: At the Court House, Shradrach White's, Charles Tiffany's and Mouth of Slate.

*May T.* Adam Beavers elected Constable in the Western District in place of Jacob Webb who has removed.

Joseph Looney qualified as Justice of the Peace.

William B. Young appointed constable instead of John Young, resigned.

Reuben C. Fudge recommended as Deputy Surveyor.

Hezekiah Harman and Henry B. Harman qualified as Deputy Surveyors of the County.

Appointed Commissioners to superintend the ensuing election at Peter Dills'

Charles H. Greever appointed Deputy Sheriff.

John W. Johnston qualified to practice law in this court.

*June T.* Robert Looney and Benjamin Cox qualified as Justices of the Peace.

At this Court there were thirty-two of the thirty-three Justices of the county present. James C. Spotts was the only one absent.

Ordered that James C. Spotts be appointed a Commissioner to borrow \$2500 for the completion of the Cumberland Gap and Price's turnpike road.

Constables elected by the votes of the Justices present: Joseph H. Wynne, Jeremiah Lambert, Charles H. Greever, George P. Thompson, James T. Bane, Daniel C. Harman and John C. Harrison, for the Eastern District; and Milton Thompson, William B. Young, Thomas H. Gillespie, Daniel Horton, Jefferson Matney, Witten Cecil, John M. Lockhart, Samuel Laird, Mastin Christian and Elijah Vance for the Western District.

Elijah Vance qualified as Deputy Sheriff of this county.

Surveyors of highway in the Western District appointed and the boundaries fixed.

*Aug. T.* William Cecil qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Election of Commissioners of the Revenue by the Justices for the ensuing year: William Witten was duly elected for the Eastern District, and Bird Lockhart for the Western District.

*Oct. T.* John B. Floyd qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Mastin Christian was elected constable for the Western District in the place of Adam Beavers, resigned..

*Nov. T.* "It appearing to be the duty of this court to recommend to the Executive a fit and proper person to fill the office of Surveyor of this county, Hez. Harman was recommended as such. Edward Collins recommended to be commissioned as a Justice of the Peace.

Waddy T. Currin is, by Henry Bowen, Sheriff of this County, appointed his deputy during pleasure.

1840

*Jan. T.* Reuben C. Fudge appointed a deputy Surveyor by Hezekiah Harman, Surveyor.

*Feb. T.* Thomas H. Gillespie and William B. Young are by Ambrose Hall, Sheriff of this County, admitted to be his deputies.

*Mar. T.* "It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that Archibald Maloney, late a revolutionary pensioner in this County, departed this life on the 21st day of February, 1840, leaving his widow Rachel to whom he was legally married 5th September, 1823, and two children to-wit, John Maloney and Mary, the wife of Benjamin Prewett, it is ordered that these facts be certified."

Elijah Vance, James Bane and Joseph H. Wynne qualified as deputies for Ambrose Hall, Sheriff.

William H. Witten appointed to be assistant Commissioner of the Revenue in the Eastern District.

Benjamin Cox resigned his commission as a Justice of the Peace.

*May T.* "Ordered that preachers of the various religious denominations have leave to preach in the Court House, provided their meetings do not interfere with the transaction of public business."

*July T.* Albert G. Pendleton allowed \$100 as Prosecuting Attorney for the Commonwealth during the past year.

Elias G. W. Harman appointed deputy Surveyor of the county.

*Sept. T.* Thomas Hall qualified as deputy Sheriff.



John C. Harman, Constable in the Eastern District resigned and Charles Taylor was elected in his place.

John D. Peery was duly elected Commissioner of the Revenue in the Eastern District and Chapman A. Spotts in the Western District.

*Oct. T.* "Miner Wynn, School Commissioner, having removed from this county, Henry B. Harman is elected in his place by the vote of all the Justices present."

*Dec. T.* Daniel C. Harman and Jefferson Matney qualified as deputy Sheriffs.

1841

*Jan. T.* Charles H. Greever, constable in the Eastern District, having moved from the county, David B. Greever is appointed in his place.

*Mar. T.* Samuel Laird resigned as constable and John M. Witten was elected to fill the vacancy.

"Granville Lewis a free person of color having been registered by the Clerk of this Court, as the law requires, as follows to wit: The said Granville Lewis, who was registered on the 7th October, 1840 and numbered 2 is about 45 years of age, of a mulatto color, 5 feet 9 inches in stature, emancipated in Montgomery County in this State, and having the following marks, scars etc, to wit, Bushy hair, a mole on the left side of the bridge of the nose, the forefinger on the left hand crooked at the first joint, a scar on the nail of the little finger of the same hand, and one bone of the right leg broken above the ankle: whereupon the Court doth certify that said register has betn truly made."

Charles Taylor and Joseph H. Wynn appointed deputies for Ambrose Hall, Sheriff of this county.

*April T.* "It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, from the oath of Hez. Harman and Erastus G. Harman, that Low Brown, late of Revolutionary pensioner, departed this life on the 28th day of January, 1841, it is ordered that the same be certified."

"It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that William Brooks, late a Revolutionary pensioner, departed this life on the 24th day of January, 1841, it is ordered that the same be certified."

*June T.* George R. C. Floyd, James S. Vail and Charles H. Greever qualified as Justices of the Peace.

James T. Bane qualified as deputy for Ambrose Hall, Sheriff of the county.

Constables elected by vote of Justices present: Joseph H. Wynn, Jermiah Lambert, David B. Greever, James T. Bane, Charles Taylor, Geo. P. Thompson, and Daniel C. Harman for the Eastern District and Martin Gibson, Jefferson Matney, Mastin Christian, John M. Lochart, John M. Witten, William B. Young, Witten Cecil, Thos. H. Gillespie, George Steel and Milton Thompson, were elected for the Western District. "The court then determined to elect two additional constables; and Morgan Wynn and James Witten were elected."

"It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that William Brooks, deceased, was a Revolutionary pensioner, that he departed this life on the 24th day of January, 1841, leaving his widow, Anna Brooks, and the following being all his heirs and legal representatives, to-wit, John Brooks, William Brooks, Richard Brooks, Thomas Brooks, James Brooks, Margaret Kirk, Elizabeth Stephenson, Nancy Clyburn, Sally Todd, Polly Brooks and Louise Asberry, it is ordered that the same be certified."

"It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that Low Brown, dec'd, was a Revolutionary pensioner, that he departed this life on the 28th day of January, 1841, leaving no widow, and the following being all his heirs and legal representatives, to-wit, Polly Brown, the widow of Isaac Brown, dec'd, and ————— heirs of said Isaac Brown, dec'd, Polly Harman, John Brown, Martha Peery, William Brown, Andrew D. Brown, Sally Belcher, George D. Brown, Joseph Brown, Low Brown, Jr., Cynthia McGranahan, Jane Kendall and Elizabeth Kendall, it is ordered that the same be certified."

*July T.* Appointed Isaac M. Benham a constable in the Eastern district.

Isaac M. Benham appointed deputy for Ambrose Hall, Sheriff of the county.

William P. Wynn qualified as Coroner for the county during good behavior.

*Sept. T.* "John J. Greever, this day produced credentials of his ordination and also of his being in regular communion with the Lutheran Church, took the oath of allegiance to this Commonwealth and with Thomas Peery, George Spracher and John B. Floyd, his

securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$1500.00 conditioned as the law directs: whereupon, on his motion, a testimonial is granted him in due form."

James Hankins appointed Surveyor of Highway upon precinct No. 9, Western district in the room of James Brewster etc. James H. Moore and William E. Higginbotham qualified as Justices of the Peace.

William G. Williams was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District and Reese B. Gillespie was elected for the Western District.

*Oct. T.* "Ordered that it be certified that it appears to this court from satisfactory evidence, that Thomas Witten was a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$250. per annum; was a resident of this county and died in this county on the 6th day of October, 1841; that he left no widow, but the following children, to-wit, Samuel C. Witten, Elizabeth Witten, William Witten, Rebecca Graham, Linney Witten, Tabitha Davidson, John Witten, Thomas Witten, James S. Witten and the children of Hiram Witten, dec'd, who was a son of said Thomas Witten, deceased."

*Dec. T.* Hervey George, administrator of Christina Harman, dec'd, presented reports of the heirs of the slaves belonging to said estate, for the years 1833, 1839 & 1840, which are ordered to be recorded."

Jòseph H. Wynn resigned as constable in the Eastern dist. and Gorge Cook was appointed in his stead.

Joseph Wynn qualified as Justice of the Peace.

"Eliza Jane Harman, orphan of Daniel Harman, deceased, with the approbation of the Court made choice of John Crockett to be her guardian and the said John Crockett with Kiah Harman and John B. Floyd, his security, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of 1,000. conditioned according to law."

Hez. Harman, School Commissioner in this county, this day resigned; and therefore Addison Crockett is appointed School Commissioner in his stead."

John B. Harman was chosen constable of Eastern District in the place of James T. Bane resigned.



## CHAPTER XI.

### COUNTY COURT LAW ORDERS FROM JANUARY 1842 TO DECEMBER, 1852.

1842

*Feb. Term.* Thomas Davis elected Constable in the Western District, in the place of John Lockhart, resigned.

William H. Young was appointed Constable in the Western District in the place of James Witten resigned.

William G. Williams qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District.

John B. George qualified as Sheriff of the county.

*Mar. T.* p. 78. Robert Latham and William P. Cecil qualified to practice law in this court. John B. George qualified as Sheriff. William M. Gillespie, Thomas H. Gillespie, George P. George appointed deputies for John B. George.

Jefferson Matney, Isaac Benham and Joseph N. Nash qualified as deputies for John B. George, sheriff of this county.

*Aug. T.* 140. William W. Harman qualified as deputy Surveyor of the County.

William H. Minter qualified as Deputy for George W. G. Brown, Clerk of the Court.

*Sept. T.* James S. Vail was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern district and Thomas Witten for the Western District.

*Nov. T.* John Cecil, William Barns, Samuel Witten, William Thompson, Samuel Cecil, Chapman A. Spotts, Hervey George, James C. Spotts, Addison Crockett, Ambrose Hall, Gordon C. Thorn, Erastus G. Harman, Henry Harman and George R. C. Floyd appointed School Commissioners.

Samuel W. Higginbitham was elected a Constable in the Western district.

Thomas Witten was elected Commissioner of the Revenue.

1843

*March T.* Wade D. Strother admitted to practice law in this Court.

Hamilton R. Bogle elected a constable in the Eastern Dist. in the place of Henry W. Dills, resigned.

*May T.* "The office of Attorney for the Commonwealth in this court being vacant by the resignation of Albert G. Pendleton, Esquire, on the 20th April last, John W. Johnston is by the Court appointed Attorney for the Commonwealth by the votes of all the Justices present given viva voce in open Court, and therefore the said John W. Johnson took the several oaths prescribed by law."

*June T.* John A. Kelly, admitted to practice law in this court.

Constables elected at this term: Hamilton R. Bogle, John B. Harman, Charles Taylor, David B. Greever, Robert R. Montague, George Cook, Waddy T. Currin, Daniel C. Harman, Morgan Wynn, and William E. Neel, assigned to the Eastern District; and Milton W. Thompson, Samuel W. Higginbotham, William B. Young, George Steele, John M. Witten, Johny Creswell, Reese B. Gillespie, Jefferson Matney, George W. Deskins, Martin Gibson, and William Cecil, assigned to the Western District. And Gordon Lambert is assigned to the Western District.

*Aug. T.* Ordered that the county be divided into two districts for the election of overseers of the Poor, and that an election be held on the 22nd day of this month to consist of the freeholders and householders only, for the purpose of choosing three discreet and fit persons ..... to serve for three years.

Peter Honaker was elected a constable in the Eastern district in the place of Wm. E. Neel, resigned.

Daniel H. Harman elected contable in place of John Y. Creswell, resigned.

*Nov. T.* Chapman A. Spotts elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Western district, and Addison Crockett for the Eastern District.

Daniel H. Harman appointed deputy for John B. George, Sheriff of this county.

1844

*Feb. T.* John B. George, George P. George, Thomas H. Gillespie and Reese B. Gillespie are by William M. Gillespie Sheriff, appointed his deputies.

*Mar T.* Joseph Nash appointed deputy for William Gillespie, Sheriff.

*May T.* Declaration as Revolutionary soldiers to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832, made by Jessee Harper, John Thompson and Hezekiah Whitt.

Daniel Harman (of Adam) made surveyor of highway, precinct No. 15, Eastern District.

*June T.* "Ordered that the overseers of the Poor of this County, in contracting for the keeping of the poor of this county, be not governed entirely by the consideration of saving a few dollars and cents to the county, but that they ought to be governed by the feelings of humanity, and that they should contract, with such persons for their support, as are competent to provide for them in a decent and comfortable manner."

We trust that in the same spirit of humanity, of our present and future officers, in charge of this ministry, may continue to make the comfort of our unfortunate poor, their guide in administering this trust.

*July T.* Twenty-four members constituted a grand jury.

*Aug. T.* Daniel H. Harman appointed deputy for William Gillespie, Sheriff of the county.

*Oct. T.* James S. Vail elected Commissioner of the Revenue for Eastern district and Thomas Witten, Jr., in the Western District.

*Nov. T.* "William Gillespie, Hervey George and Thomas Peery are by the Court recommended to the Executive of this Commonwealth as suitable persons to execute the office of Sheriff of this county, by votes of all the Justices present, given viva voce in open court."

## 1845

*Jan. T.* Archibald Hedrick appointed constable in the place of Robert Montague, resigned, in the Eastern District.

*Feb. T.* William Gillespie qualified as sheriff of the county and the following deputy sheriffs were appointed: Thomas H. Gillespie, Reese B. Gillespie, John W. Gillespie, Robert Barns, George P. George, Joseph N. Nash and Daniel H. Harman. William B. Aston qualified to practice law in this court.



*April T.* Samuel Cecil appointed guardian of Cecil heirs named: Samuel W., Nancy, J., Julia A., Witten A., and Russell F. Cecil.

Peter H. Dills and Waddy T. Currin appointed deputies for William Gillespie, sheriff of this county.

Certain persons appointed as Commissioners to superintend the approaching elections in this county, at the various precincts as follows:

At Court House: William Cox, Samuel Cecil, Hervey G. Peery, Thomas S. Carnahan, and John Wynn.

At Peter Dills: James C. Davidson, Stephen Gose, Gordon C. Thorn, James M. Compton, and Mark R. Bogle.

At Burks Garden: George Spracher, Ambrose Hall, Thomas Peery, John Thompson and James S. Vail.

At Charles Tiffany's: Erastus G. Harman, Howard Bane, Charles F. Tiffany, Henry P. McDowell and John Harry.

At Shadrach White's: Shadrach White, William Brown, Chapman A. Spotts, William Blankenship and Samuel Cecil.

At the Mouth of the Slate: Joseph Looney, Elijah Vance, Richard Ratcliff, Benjamine Cox and Martin Gibson.

William Cox reported the amount raised by this county for the construction of the Cumberland Gap and Price's Turnpike \$6462.22 and that all had been raised but \$175.00 which amt. Cox was directed to borrow.

The cost of the Cumberland Gap and Price's Turnpike through this county was certified to be \$16,155.33-1/3 of which the county has paid two-fifths of the entire cost.

Alexander McClanahan elected Constable in the place of Martin Gibson, resigned.

*Apr. T.* Hamilton R. Bogle appointed a constable in the Eastern district in place of John M. Witten, resigned

"Ezekial Holly, a free man of color, having been registered by the Clerk of this court as the law requires, to-wit; the said Ezekial Holly, who was registered on this day and numbered 4, is twenty nine years of age, of a clear yellow color, 5 feet 10-3/4 inches in stature, born free, and has no particular marks, stout built; wherefore the court doth certify that the said register has been duly made."

"William Holly, a free man of color, who has been registered by the Clerk of this court as the Law requires, to-wit: the said

William Holly, who was registered on this day and numbered 5 is twenty seven years of age, of a clear yellow color, five feet and nine  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches in stature, born free, and has the following marks, sears, etc., to-wit: A small scar under the left eye, and a scar on the third finger of the left hand, and stout built; whereupon the Court doth certify that said register has been duly made."

*July T.* Isaac Chapman qualified as deputy for George W. G. Browne, Clerk of the county.

"Ordered that the County be laid off into nine districts and that one constable be appointed in each district, except in the fifth district in the Western Battalion in which there shall be two." Then follows the ten constables elected: David B. Greever, Peter Honaker, John B. Harman, Waddy T. Currin, John W. Gillespie, Milton W. Thompson, Hamilton R. Bogle, Samuel Cecil, Jr., Daniel H. Harman and Isom Collins.

Archibald Maloney, a Revolutionary pensioner died on the 21st day of February, 1840, which was certified by the court on motion of his widow, Rachel Maloney.

"Kiah Harman come into court and resigned his office of Escheator."

"Moses Hankins, James Hankins, Hugh S. Bailey, Milton Hankins and William Anderson came into court and agreed to construct fences for Ebenezer Brewster which was made necessary to be built on account of the construction of a public road from said Brewster's to said Anderson's mill." This is now known as Graybeal's Mill at Maxwell.

John B. George appointed a deputy for William Gillespie, Sheriff.

Thomas Peery appointed constable in place of Waddy T. Currin, resigned.

Geo. F. Holmes admitted to practice law in this court.

*Aug. T.* Kiah Harman, under commission of the Governor of the Commonwealth, qualified as Surveyor of the County for the term of seven years.

Henry D. Harman appointed deputy surveyor for the county.

David Muncy, a Methodist Minister, authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Joseph Moore appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District and William B. Young for the Western District.

Jefferson Matney appointed constable in the Western District in place of Samuel W. Cecil resigned.

1846

*Jan. T.* Samuel W. Higginbotham appointed constable in the Western district in place of Stephen Henderson, resigned.

Wm. E. Neel is authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony, as it has been represented to this court that no ordained minister of the Gospel is convenient on the Clear Fork in this county.

*Feb. T.* Peter Honaker qualified as deputy for Harvey George, Sheriff of this county.

*Apr. T.* James W. M. Witten, David B. Greever, John B. Harman and Samuel W. Higginbotham qualified as deputies for Harvey George, Sheriff of the county.

*May T.* Stirling F. Watts qualified to practice law in this court.

Under the Act releasing the right of the Commonwealth's interest in the Cumberland Gap road, the same was officially recognized by the court.

Daniel H. Harman appointed Deputy for Harvey George, Sheriff of this county.

Jessee Harper's additional evidence of claim as a Revolutionary soldier.

*July T.* Samuel W. Austin qualified as Deputy for Kiah Harman, Surveyor of the county.

*Sept. T.* William McDonald elected by the Justices present for Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern District and Chapman A. Spotts elected as Commissioner of the Revenue for the Western District.

*Dec. T.* John H. Peery appointed constable in the place of Thomas Peery, resigned, in the Eastern Battalion of this county.

John C. Gillespie appointed constable in the place of Jefferson Matney, resigned.

1847

*Jan. T.* "Ordered that Joseph Hankins be appointed Surveyor of the highway on Precinct No. 43 from Henry Pattinson's to Moses Hankins' bars."

*Feb. T.* Hervey George commissioned by the Governor, qualified as Sheriff of the county.



William O. George appointed deputy for Hervey George, Sheriff; also Daniel H. Harman, John B. Harman, Hamilton R. Bogle, Samuel W. Higginbotham, David B. Greever and Peter Dills qualified as deputy Sheriffs.

*June T.* Constables elected by the acting Justices present were as follows: David B. Greever, Alexander Mahood, Peter C. Honaker, Samuel P. Davidson, John B. Harman, Waddy T. Currin, Henry Gillespie, James W. Morton, Samuel W. Higginbotham, Rees Steel, James Thompson, John Allen, John A. Brown, Jefferson Matney, Hamilton R. Bogle, John M. Witten, Daniel H. Harman and David Matney.

Archibald Maloney, a Revolutionary pensioner, died on Feb. 21st, 1840, was duly certified.

John H. Peery elected a constable and assigned to the 4th district in the Eastern Battalion.

Peter C. Honaker qualified as constable.

*July T.* George Frederick Holmes, having complied with the requirements of the Act of Congress of the United States ..... is admitted as a citizen of the United States, having renounced allegiance to Queen Victoria.

Alexander Mahood qualified as a constable.

*Sept. T.* "Herrmann Leopold Moss, heretofore a subject of Leopold the 1st, Grand Duke of the Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany, this day appeared personally in Court and presented an authenticated copy from the Records of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the County of Guilford in the State of North Carolina, under the seal of that court, showing that at the February term 1844, of said Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County of Guilford, he the said Herrmann Leopold Moss, on his oath declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and renounced and abjured allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever and particularly to the said Grand Duke of the Grand Duchy of Baden, in Germany; and that he would support the Constitution of the United States."

"And it appearing to this Court that the said Herrmann Leopold Moss, has resided for at least five years last past, continuously in the United States, and at least one year in this Commonwealth..... It is therefore declared by this Court that the said Herrmann Leo-

pold Moss, having complied with the requirements of the Act of Congress ..... he is admitted a citizen of the United States."

John Thomas, Jesse R. Justice, James M. Compton, Robert C. Graham, William Brown, Bartlett Rose, John Breeding and Archibald Thompson qualified as Justices of the Peace for this county.

Thirty-seven Justices noted present at this term, who were summoned to take action on the application of Mathews, a free man of Color, late a slave and the property of Elijah King and emancipated by his last will, for leave to stay within the Commonwealth. The Justices elected unanimously the said permission be given, upon the proof that the said Mathews "is a person of good character, peaceable, orderly and industrious and not addicted to drunkenness, gaming or any other vice." He was not only allowed to remain in the Commonwealth but permitted to reside in this county. The population of the county might be greatly reduced if only those who can prove such a character as Mathews, were permitted to reside therein.

Addison Crockett was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern district, and James W. Thompson for the Western district.

"The church near here having been destroyed by fire, it is ordered that the Court House may be used as a place of public worship till the 1st day of January next.

*Oct. T.* Shadrach White qualified as a Justice of the Peace

Martha Elizabeth Hawkins, John R. Hawkins and William F. Hawkins, orphans of ———— Hawkins, made choice of James W. M. Witten as their guardian.

1848

*Feb. T.* Thomas Peery qualified as Sheriff of the county.

*Mar. T.* Calvin M. McCarty, Hamilton R. Bogle, William E. Peery and Joseph N. Nash qualified as deputies for Thomas Peery, Sheriff.

Charles F. Tiffany elected Overseer of the Poor.

Martin Gibson elected constable in the place of Daniel Matney.

John McVaughlin a Revolutionary pensioner died February 17th, 1848, leaving his widow, Judith, was certified by the court.

Daniel H. Harman qualified as deputy Sheriff.

Waddy T. Currin and Hervey G. Dillion qualified as deputy Sheriffs.

*Apr. T.* Peter C. Honaker is appointed deputy Sheriff for Thomas Peery, Sheriff.

*May T.* Samuel W. Cecil qualified to practice law in this court.

*June T.* Casper, a free man of color, who had been emancipated by the last will of Adam Harman, was duly registered as the law requires.

James Barrett, a native of Ireland, declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States and renounced all allegiance to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty and particularly to Queen Victoria, queen of the United Kingdom of Great Brittain and Ireland.

Gilbert Peery elected constable in the place of John M. Peery, resigned.

*Aug. T.* Reuben C. Fudge was granted leave to make the brick for paving the streets of Jeffersonville on the public ground, north of the jail.

*Sept. T.* William R. Bane elected Commissioner of the Revenue for the Eastern district and Reese B. Gillespie for the Western district.

*Nov. T.* Rees T. Bowen, Ephriam G. Repass, Thomas J. Higginbotham, William M. Gillespie, James W. M. Witten, Addison A. Spotts, Archibald Thompson, Hamilton R. Bogle, Addison Crockett, David Peery, Charles F. Tiffany, James M. Compton and James Davis elected School Commissioners in this county for the ensuing year.

1849

*Feb. T.* Thomas Peery qualified as Sheriff of this county; Daniel H. Harman, Hamilton R. Bogle, James W. M. Witten, Calvin M. McCarty and Joseph N. Nash qualified as his deputies.

*Mar. T.* Susannah King emancipated several slaves who were duly registered.

*May T.* James H. Harman and John B. Harman appointed constables.

"James Bourne, a native of England, this day declared on oath it is his bone fida intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign



Prince, or Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to Victoria, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.”

*June T.* Ordered that the county subscribe to the stock of the Tazewell Court House and Fancy Gap turnpike, etc.

Casper, a free man of color, who was emancipated by Adam Harman, by his will, having shown his good character, was admitted to reside in the county.

John B. Harman, Daniel C. Harman, Henry Gillespie, Alexander Mahood, Stephen S. Taylor, Andrew Baldwin, John Allen, William Anderson, George W. Deskins, Daniel H. Harman, Martin Gibson, John Brown, Ephriam G. Repass, Samuel P. Davidson, Peter C. Honaker, Harvey P. Witten, Samuel W. Higginbotham and Resin R. Steel, were elected constables of this county.

On account of the destitution of persons to celebrate the rites of matrimony in some parts of the county, George Gibson and Thomas P. Lambert are authorized to perform said rites.

*Aug. T.* Rees B. Gillespie appointed deputy for George W. G. Browne Clerk of this court.

Madison S. Crockett qualified to practice law in this court

John B. Harman qualified as deputy for Thomas Peery, Sheriff

*Sept. T.* Elias G. W. Harman and James H. Peery were elected Commissioners of the Revenue for the county.

“Ordered that the Sheriff summon all the Justices of the County to attend here on the first day of the next term, to take into consideration the application of Henry, Amy, Cosby Ann, Elizabeth, Ellan & Louisa, free persons of color, late slaves, the property of Susannah King, dec'd. & emancipated by her last will & testament, for leave to remain in the Commonwealth.”

Joseph C. Brown was elected School Commissioner in the place of William M. Gillespie, resigned.

*Oct. T.* Martin Gibson qualified as deputy for Thomas Peery, Sheriff.

*Nov. T.* Upon application of Alexander St. Clair, a road was ordered to be viewed from his mill to the Court House.

1850

*Feb. T.* William Thompson qualified as Sheriff of the county, and Hamilton R. Bogle, John W. Gillespie, John B. Harman and Joseph N. Nash qualified as his deputies.

Noah B. Bruce qualified as constable.

*Mar. T.* James T. Bane, Ephriam G. Repass, Gustavus R. Crockett and George W. Payne qualified as deputies for William Thompson Sheriff.

Re-assessment of lands ordered and Charles H. Greever and Archibald Thompson were elected assessors.

Daniel H. Harman qualified as deputy Sheriff.

Reuben C. Fudge, Addison A. Spotts and John A. Kelly applied for permission to erect gates on the new road from Tazewell Court House to St. Clair mill, which was allowed.

*May T.* Henry Bowen's will probated. Rees T. and Henry E. Bowen, Executors.

*June T.* Charles Mitchell authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony, on account of the destitution of preachers in some parts of the county.

"Ordered that the Sheriff collect from each tithable  $.81\frac{1}{4}c$  for the purpose of defraying the expense of the county, and  $.43\frac{3}{4}c$  for the support of the poor and 25c on the amount of revenue paid by each tax payer in the county, for the construction of the Fancy Gap Road."

*Aug. T.* Henry Gillespie and Samuel C. Crockett elected Commissioners of the Revenue for the county.

1851

*Apr. T.* Hamilton R. Bogle, John B. Harman and Daniel H. Harman qualified as deputies for William Thompson, Sheriff.

Ordered an election be held to take the sense of the voters on making a subscription to the Raleigh and North Carolina road.

*May T.* James H. Gilmore qualified to practice law in this county.

S. Dolsbery, a pensioner, died Aug. 2, 1850. He left no widow nor children.

Archibald T. Hedrick elected a constable.

Robert Barnes, Joseph N. Nash and Henry A. Yost qualified as deputies for William Thompson, Sheriff.

Ordered that the sense of the voters be taken on the proposition to subscribe \$4,000 to the stock of the Tazewell Court House and Saltville Turnpike and \$1,000 to the Raleigh and North Carolina Turnpike, according to the provision of the law.

*July T.* Isaac N. Naff authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

At this term the following constables were elected: Samuel P. Davidson, Peter C. Honaker, Archibald T. Hedrick, Alexander Mahood, John B. Harman, Hervey E. Dillion, Noah Bruce, Daniel H. Gillespie, John Allen, Harvey P. Witten, William B. Goodwin, Samuel W. Higginbotham, Rees Steel, George W. Deskins, William Anderson, Ephriam G. Repass, Jefferson Matney, Frederick Stiltner, George W. Payne and Daniel H. Harman.

Robert Gillespie qualified as deputy for William Thompson, Sheriff.

*Oct. T.* James C. Davidson elected a director of the Raleigh and North Carolina Turnpike Company.

William J. Crutchfield qualified as deputy sheriff.

Alexander Mahood qualified to practice law in this court.

*Dec. T.* William H. Maxwell qualified to practice law in this court.

1852

*Feb. T.* Edwin H. Harman, an infant above the age of fourteen years nominated Henry B. Harman to be his guardian; and the Court appointed said Henry B. Harman guardian of Elvira, Martha Ann, Olivia, Robert, Howard Bane, and Charles Creigh Harman, infant orphans of Erastus G. Harman, deceased; and said guardian executed bond in the penalty of \$20,000, conditioned according to law.

*June T.* Kiah Harman qualified as Surveyor of the county for a term of six years from the 1st day of July next.

*July T.* Henry D. Harman, Hez. A. Harman and Thomas Davis are by Kiah Harman, Surveyor of this county, appointed his deputies.

Samuel C. Graham, who has been duly elected Clerk of this Court for the term of six years from and after the 1st day of July, instant, qualified as such Clerk.

William B. Harman elected Commissioner of the Revenue.

On motion of John W. Gillespie, Sheriff of this county, John Allen qualified as his deputy.



*Sept. T.* John B. George chosen by a vote of the Justices present, to be the Presiding Justice. The said Justices directed that they be classified into seven classes for the performances of their duties, and assigned certain Justices to hold the monthly terms of the Court, alternating the Justices and designating four for each term of the Court.

Ordered an election held for electing Justices and Constables in the several districts.

“Ordered that Louisa Cousins, James C. Cousins and Charley Earley (or Easley), free persons of color be allowed to register in the Clerk’s Office of this Court and that the Clerk certify the same.”

*Dec. T.* Charles Taylor and Robert H. Taylor qualified as deputy sheriffs.

William Terry admitted to practice law in this court.

John D. Vincil authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

## CHAPTER XII.

### JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR TAZEWELL COUNTY FROM 1800 TO 1852.

David Ward, Henry Bowen and David Hanson, formerly Justices of Russell County; and George Peery, Robert Wallace, William Neel and Samuel Walker, formerly Justices of Wythe County, by operation of law, became the County Court of the newly formed County of Tazewell, because of their residence in that part of the territory of said counties respectively, which was embraced within the lines of the new county. Justices thereafter qualified as follows:

*Oct. 1800:* Joseph Davidson, Thomas Witten, John Thompson, Hezekiah Whitt, Thomas Gillespie, Hezekiah Harman, Henry Harman, Jr.

*Nov. 1809:* John Cecil, and John Laird, Isaac Brown, (Dec.) William Taylor.

*Jan. 1810:* John Wynn.

*Apr. 1814:* Peter Gose, Thomas Harrison and Ambrose Hall

*Jan. 1816:* William Smith *Feb. 1816:* John B. George

*Sept. 1820:* William Gillespie, Harvey George, Thomas Peery, William Williams.

*Oct. 1820:* John Davidson. *Nov. 1820:* William Thompson, Junr.

*Dec. 1820:* Philip Lambert, James C. Davidson

*Jan. :1821:* James S. Witten, William Barnes

*Apr. 1822:* Ephriam Dunbar.

*Feb. 1832:* George W. Messick, Samuel P. Davidson, William Cox.

*Apr. 1832:* Hugh Tiffany, Jr.

*July 1832:* William T. Moore, Samuel Witten.

*Apr. 1834:* Bird Lockhart

*May 1834:* Cornelius White

*Dec. 1834:* John W. Read, Joseph Looney

*Sept. 1835:* C. A. Spotts.

*Mar. 1837:* Erastus G. Harman, Alexander Harrison, James C. Spotts, Thomas S. Carnahan, Hervey G. Peery.

*Mar. 1839:* Edward Collins.

*June 1841:* George R. C. Floyd, James S. Vail, Charles H. Greever.

*Sept. 1841:* William E. Higginbotham, John J. Greever, Gordon C. Thorn, James H. Moore.

*Dec. 1841:* Joseph H. Wynn

*Sept. 1847:* John Thomas, Jesse R. Justice, James M. Compton, William McDonald, Henry H. Harman, Charles Taylor, Granville Jones, Edward R. Baylor, Robert C. Graham, Isaac M. Benham, Archibald Thompson, Thomas J. Higginbotham, William Brown, Shadrach White, Thomas Davis, Bartlett Rose, Elias C. Harman, Elijah Vance, John Breeding, Thomas K. Lambert.



## CHAPTER XIII.

SUPERIOR COURT OF LAW; ORDERS FROM MAY 1809 TO JUNE 1831.

1809

May Term of the Superior Court of Law.

“At a Superior Court of Law appointed by law to be holden at Tazewell Court House on the first Monday after the fourth Monday in April.

Present, the Honorable William Brockenbrough one of the Judges of the General Court allotted to the thirteenth Judicial Circuit.

“Ordered that the appointment of John Crockett, Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell to the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County be confirmed .....” and said Crockett entered into bond in the sum of ten thousand dollars with Henry Bowen, Hezekiah Harman, William Taylor, James Peery, Thomas Peery and David French his sureties, conditioned according to law”

Henley Chapman and James Thompson, gentlemen, qualified to practice law in this court

Ordered that James Thompson, Gentleman, Attorney at Law, be appointed to prosecute on behalf of the Commonwealth in this Court”

The first Grand Jury Empanelled:

“William Taylor, Foreman, John Laird, James Witten, William Ward, William Thompson, James Moore, James Peery, Robert Doak, Joseph Moore, Thomas Peery, William Brooks, Isaac Brown, David Peery, Audley Maxwell, James Maxwell, William Witten, Andrew Peery, David Ward, William Peery and Hezekiah Harman.”

“William Cecil and William Neel who were summoned *hear* this day as Grand Jurors, were solemnly called but came not, therefore it is considered by the Court that for their said contempt they make their fine, with his Excellency, John Tyler, Esq. Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth, and his successor, by the payment of eight Dollars each, to the use of the Commonwealth, unless sufficient cause of their inability to attend, be shown at this or the next Court.”

"At a Superior Court of Law Continued and held for Tazewell on 2nd day of May, 1809 (See p. 3, Order Book)

"Ordered that John Crockett, Clerk of the Superior Court of Tazewell County be allowed fifteen dollars for his services on behalf of the Commonwealth during this term, and that the same be certified to the Auditor of Public Accounts."

"Ordered that James Thompson, Prosecutor for the Commonwealth in this Court be allowed for two days attendance during this term the sum of ten dollars. . . ."

"Ordered that Henry Bowen, Sheriff of the County, be allowed ten Dollars for his services on behalf of the Commonwealth during this term. . . ."

"Ordered that this Court adjourn until the first day of the next term."

"W. BROCKENBROUGH"

1809

*Oct. Term* Second Grand Jury Empaneled:

"Hezekiah Harman, Foreman, Thomas Witten, Nathaniel Young, David Harrison, James Maxwell, John Peery, David, Whitley, Thomas Peery, Sr., George Steel, David Robinson, Jacob Francisco, Abednego White, Philip Gose, Ambrose Hall, John Lasley, David Young, Abram Davis, John Thompson, John Davis, (Carpenter) Daniel Waggoner."

William Neel and William Cecil appeared in Court and gave their excuse for not appearing as Grand Jurors at the first term and the fines were remitted.

Andrew McHenry qualified to practice law in this court.

1810

*Sept. T.* Names of Grand Jurors at this term: William Taylor, Joseph Davidson, John Lasley, Isaac Brown, John Peery, John Wynn, William Hall, Howard Bane, Hezekiah Harman, James Maxwell, Sr., John Bailey, Samuel Shannon, Samuel C. Witten, Mose Workman, Lewis Vencel, Bird Lockhart, Ambrose Hall, John Davis (Big), Henry Bowen, Thomas Gillespie, Philip Gose, John Cecil, John Laird and Oliver Wynn.

David Hanson, Sheriff of the County.

A defendant who was charged with offering Sheriff one dollar to summon certain persons on the Jury to try him, and was being

questioned by the Court as to the truth of the charge, said he had a troublesome set of people to deal with and he only wanted good men to serve on the Jury that tried him, and further said that he had seen some juries in Tazewell that he did not consider good ones, and further said he intended no contempt of Court by his said acts. He admitted saying to the Sheriff "that I would not begrudge him a dollar if he would summon such men as he suggested." The Judge not being fully satisfied with the explanation fined him \$10.00.

Hon. Peter Johnson was designated to hold the next Court.

#### 1811

*Apr. T.* Present, Hon. Peter Johnston, one of the Judges of the General Court allotted to the 13th Judicial Circuit.

On Grand Jury: Reese Bowen, Peter Gose, Charles Young, Hugh Wilson, Moses Higginbotham, Robert Higginbotham, Isaac Johnston, William Dills and John Griffith, together with several others who served on the Grand Jury at the last term of this Court.

*Sept. T.* Names of Grand Jurors: David Ward, Foreman, John Ward, Wm. Taylor, Joseph Davidson, John Thompson, Hugh Wilson, Isaac Brown, John Bailey, Hezekiah Harman, Elias Harman, William Harman, James Moore, Thomas Peery, John Lasley, Samuel Lusk, Thomas Allen, Reese Bowen, George Rineheart, Henry Bowen, John Cecil and William Ward.

William Smith qualified to practice law in this court. Lewis Amiss qualified to practice law in this court.

Names of the petit Jury at this term: Absolem Young, Henry Harman, John Stobaugh, Robert Ward, Joseph Hankins, Thomas Cassaday, Thomas Harrison, Reese Thompson, Moses Higginbotham, Martin Peery, John Davis and Charles Young.

#### 1812

*Apr. T.* Names of Petit jurors: Richard Brooks, Thomas Owens, John Davis (little), David Peery, Buse Harman, Samuel Peery, George Peery, Henry Harman, James Maxwell, Jr., Lewis Vincel, Moses Hankins and William Davis.

Joseph Moore qualified as deputy for John Crockett, Clerk of the Court.

*Sept. T.* "Ordered that William Hall, Sheriff of the County, be allowed ten dollars for his public services for the preceeding six months."



1813

*Sept. T.* Hon. Peter Randolph, presiding.

"Ordered that the following officers be paid the several amounts for their services, viz: John Crockett for last twelve months, \$30.00, Wm. Smith, Atto. for the Commonwealth, for two days service at this term, \$10.00; William Hall, Sheriff, for services the preceeding twelve months, \$20,00 and that John B. George, jailer, be allowed for his services during the preceeding year, \$20,00."

1816

*April T.* Present, Hon. Peter Johnston, Presiding.

Alexander Smith qualified to practice law in this court.

Ordered that Alexander Smith, Gent. be appointed prosecutor on behalf of the Commonwealth in this court.

1817

*April T.* James Campbell qualified to practice law in this court.

Special July Term. Benjamine Estill, Gent. appointed to prosecute for the Commonwealth.

Charles C. Johnston qualified to practice law in this court

1818

*Sept. T.* David McComas qualified to practice law in this court. A Venireman was fined \$30.00 for having a conversation with a person charged with felony, after being summoned on the venire for the trial of said person, the amount later reduced to \$5.00.

John Peery, Sheriff of the County now.

1820

*March T.* Jacob T. Fishback appointed deputy Clerk to this court.

Joseph Davidson, Sheriff of this County.

1821

*April T.* James E. Brown qualified to practice law in this court.

*Sept. T.* Thomas Witten, Sheriff, allowed compensation for his services.

1822

*Sept. T.* William Smith and Henry J. Fisher qualified to practice law in this court.

1823

*April T.* Silas M. Stilwell appointed deputy Clerk for this court.

1824

*Mar. T.* John H. Fulton and Harold Smith qualified to practice law in this court.

*Aug. T.* John Thompson serves as Sheriff at this term.

1826

*Aug. T.* David McComas appeared as Prosecuting Attorney, etc. Hezekiah Whitt appears as Sheriff at this term.

1828

*Apr. T.* Thomas Gillespie appears as Sheriff of the courts. Robert Gillespie deputy for Thomas Gillespie, Sheriff.

1829

*Feb. T.* William W. King and Albert G. Pendleton qualified to practice law in this court.

1830

*Feb. T.* Hezekiah Harman, Sheriff of this County, etc.

1831

*June T.* Joseph Draper, Charles C. Johnston, David McComas, Thomas O'Neil, Charles E. Harrison, Geo. W. Hopkins, A. G. Pendleton, James F. Pendleton and Joseph Stras, qualified to practice law in this court.

Charles E. Harrison appointed to prosecute in this court on behalf of the Commonwealth.

From an examination of the records of Order Book No. 1, for the Superior Court of Law and Chancery from 1809 to 1831, it appears that no special public matters are noted, as most of such matters have been previously chronicled from the records of the County Court.

## CHAPTER XIV.

### A FEW GENEALOGIES SHOWN IN FIRST CHANCERY ORDER Book—1832 to 1855.

1832

*April T.* This Term began in 1st Law Order Book.

Hon. B. Estill, Judge Presiding.

“At a Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery,” etc.

1834

*April T.* Mathias Harman Jr. Compl't

vs.

Amended Bill p. 12 Cont. p. 17.

Mathias Harman, Senr and Wm. McGuire

*Sept. T.* Samuel Laird Compl't.

vs.

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Harman's Representative Deft.

1835

James Peery & wife

vs.

Leave to file Bill. Decree pp 60-61

Harman's Heirs

James Peery and Nancy his wife & James P. Harman

vs.

Decree pp. 60-61

Jane Harman, widow of Mathias Harman, decd

“The defendants Jane, the widow & Rebecca, Matilda, Margaret, Lavisy and Daniel C. Harman, children and heirs of the said Mathias Harman decd. severally filed their answers and James M., Mathias B., and John B. Harman infant children of the said Mathias Harman, deceased filed their answers, by” etc.

Commissioners were appointed to lay off Dower and make partition etc. of slaves etc.



1836

Hezekiah Harman et al      Compls

vs.

Christina Harman      Deft

Sent to Wythe County for trial as the Judge had been interested in the case. Later remanded to Greenbrier County.

1841

Mathias Harman vs. Harman & McGuire—Dismissed Memo: For Genealogy of Tazewell Records: Chy.

Margaret Day & als vs. Adam Waggoner & als 1844, Chy. O. B. p. 166—See for several pages of heirs at law of *Jacob Waggoner Senr., dec'd.* A deed dated December 25th, 1828, from Jacob Waggoner Senior to Gideon Wright is set aside, and the lands partitioned to numerous persons. Jacob Waggoner died March 15th, 1830, leaving as his heirs at law the following: John Martin and Susanah his wife, who was his sister of the half blood; Margaret Day, his sister of the whole blood; Joshua Day, Peter Day, Travis Day and Rebecca his wife of Fannin, the children of Hames Day and ———, his wife, decd, his sister of the whole blood; Christina, the wife of Thomas Walker; Robert Neel and Nancy his wife, Rhoda Lambert, Adam Waggoner, Jacob Waggoner, Philip Lambert and Sally his wife, Robert Neel and Rebecca his wife, Gideon Wright and Nelly his wife, Randolph Holbrook and Mary, his wife, Hampton Foster and Jemima, his wife, children and heirs of Daniel Waggoner, deceased, who was his brother of the whole blood, Elias Waggoner, ———— Stafford and Margaret his wife, Adam Waggoner, Elizabeth Waggoner and Hiram Waggoner, children and heirs of George Waggoner, decd. who was his brother of the full blood, the unknown heirs of David Waggoner, deceased, who was his brother of the full blood; ———— Dun and Christina, his wife who was sister of the full blood; ———— Pence and Nancy his wife who was his sister of the full blood; ———— Stobach and ———, his wife, who was sister of the whole blood; and the three last mentioned sisters of the said Jacob Waggoner Senr. and their husbands towit: ———— Dunn and Christina his wife; ———— Pence and Nancy, his wife; and ———— Stobach and ———,

his wife having removed from the County to parts unknown many years prior to his death etc., they are allowed seven years in which to assert their claim to their part of the estate.

1848

James Peery                      Complainant

vs.                      In Cancery—Partition

Peery's heirs & als              Defts.

For a list of heirs at law, see p. 251

Noah Bruce & Wife              Compl't.

vs.                      In Chancery—Partition

James Whitley's widow & others      Defts.

See page 253 for list of heirs.

1849

Polly Brown                      Complainant

vs.                      Chy. O. B. p. 268

William Brown & Als.      Defendants.

Partition of lands among a long list of heirs etc.

1854

(William Williams died in 1853.)

Moses Asberry had instituted a chy. suit vs. him, which, on page 359, Chy. O. B. seems to have been revived vs. Julius C. Williams. The latter, we suppose, was the son of Wm. Williams.

1855

William Williams heirs among whom his estate was divided:

Mara A., Titus V., Marcus A., Cyrus, Patrick, and Margaret Williams, infants, and Louisa B. Williams.

## CHAPTER XV.

### GENEALOGY OF TAZEWELL FAMILIES AS SHOWN BY WILLS—WILL BOOKS NUMBERS 1, 2 AND 3.

From 1800 to 1852.

JAMES WALL. Will probated Sept. 2nd, 1800. Will Book No. 1, p. 1. Devises his property to his wife, Catherine, his sons, James, David and John; and to his daughters, Barbara, Peggy, Ruth, Nelly, Mary and Lydia.

JOHN DESKINS. Will probated Aug. 13th, 1801. Will B. No. 1, p. 4. Devises his property to his wife, Mary.

BENJAMINE ONEY. Will probated Aug. 13th, 1801. Book 1, p. 5. Devises his property to his sons, Richard, Joseph, William, and Edward; to his sons-in law, Stapleton and Obadiah Pain.

ROBERT EVANS. Will probated Feb 11th, 1802. W. B. No. 1, p. 10. Devises his property to his wife, Mary; his sons, James, Thomas, William, Robert, David and Moses; to his daughters, Jereta Outhocess, Martha Ommer and Dorothy Blead.

ROBERT BELCHEE. Will probated May 13th, 1802. W. B. No. 1, p. 12. Devises his property to his wife, Mary; to his daughters, Elizabeth and Pheby; to his sons, Robert, David, Thomas, Richard, Joshua and Joseph. Thomas Gillespie and Henry Bowen Executors.

ROBERT BARNES. Will probated June 10th, 1802. W. B. No. 1, p. 15. Devises his property to his wife, Grace; his sons William and John; his son-in-law, John Goodwin. (William and John both under 21 years of age). Charles Young and Hugh Wilson, Executors.

ROBERT WHITLEY. Will probated July 15th, 1802. W. B. No. 1, p. 16. Devises his property to his wife, Jane; his granddaughter, Nancy and grand-son, William; to his daughters, Mary Wynne, Jane Brooks, Sarah Wynne; to his son, David. David Whitley and Josiah Wynne, his son-in-law, Executors.

MARY DESKINS. Will probated Sept 16th, 1802. W. B. No. 1, p. 21. Devises to her three sons, John, Smith and Stephen.



WILLIAM GENT. Will probated Nov. 15th, 1804. W. B. No. 1, p. 34. Devises his property to his sons, Kuziah, Mark, Jushua, William and Josiah; to his daughter Eleanor.

WILLIAM WYNNE, SR. Will probated July 26th 1808. W. B. 1, p. 42. Devises his property to his wife, Phillis; to his daughters, Ruth Washburn, Orphey Edward, Sally Janes; to his son John Wynne, and to Hugh Currin; to his sons of his first wife, viz: William, Josiah, Elkanah, Oliver and Harman; to his sons, Samuel, Robert, Harry, Peter, Miner and James, children of his 2nd wife; to his daughters Mary, Pheby, Margaret, Elizabeth, Martha, Anna and Nancy.

MARTHA KING. Will probated Feb., 1810. W. B. 1, p. 53. Devised to her sons, Elijah and Isaac; to her daughters Susanah King, Nancy McMillen, and to her grandchildren, Martha, Jane, Robert, Nancy and John McMillen and to her sister, Agnes Thompson.

GINNEY WHITLEY, Widow of Robert Whitley. Will probated July, 1812. W. B. 1, p. 67. Devises to her son, David Whitley; to her daughters, Polly Wynn, Sally Wynn and Jinney Brooks; to her grand-children, Nancy and William Whitley.

ISAIAH WYNNE. Will probated Feb., 1813. W. B. 1, p. 70. Devises his property to his wife, Mary; to his sons William, Robert, Peter, Oliver, David, Harman, and Josiah; to his daughter Jenney.

Appointed his wife, his son Robert and his son-in-law, David Whitley his executors.

SIMON CARTER. Will probated April, 1814. W. B. No. 1, p. 72. Devises his property to his wife Catherine; to his sons, John, Daniel, Samuel and Joel. He states that he had previously made provision for his other children.

JAMES BROWN. Will probated Sept., 1814. W. B. No. 1, p. 73. Devises his property to his wife, Esther; to his son William; to his daughter Elizabeth McGuire; to the children of his deceased daughter Mary Claypool; to his sons John, Thomas, James; to his daughters, Margaret, Ann, Rebecca Shortridge, Sarah Oney, Katy. He mentions his son-in-law; Joseph McGuire and William McGuire.

JAMES P. THOMPSON. Will probated April, 1814. W. B. No. 1, p. 79. Devises his property to his wife, Margaret; to his son, Patton James and to his little daughter, Catherine Shelby Thompson.

THOMAS HARRISON. Will probated Aug., 1815. W. B. No. 1, p. 85. Devises his property to his wife, Anna D. To his first wife's children, viz: John, Elizabeth—now Edea, Mary Ervin and Hannah Asberry's heirs; and to his last wife's children, that is, Joseph, Thomas, James Samuel and Eleanor.

MARGARET WAGGONER. Will probated July 28th, 1818. W. B. 1, p. 93. Devises her property to her brothers, Adam and Jacob, and to her youngest sisters, Polly and Nancy.

PETER WYNN. Will probated Nov. 24th, 1818. W. B. No. 1, p. 93. Devises his property to "My sister Peggy Currins (?) Son William . . . and to my brother John Wynn."

HENRY WYNN. Will probated Nov. 26th, 1816. W. B. No. 1, p. 97. Devises his property to his mother, Philis Wynn, and to his sisters, Polly Peery, Peggy Curren, Anna Charles, Elizabeth, Nancy Wynn, and to his father-in-law, Samuel Witten. To his brother Miner Wynn on condition that he release the land in Burk's Garden devised to him by his father, William Wynn, deceased, to be sold and the value divided betwixd John, Samuel, Robert, Peter and James Wynn and himself at the time the said Miner should come to the age of 21.

ANDREW LOCKHART. Will probated January, 1816. W. B. 1, p. 98. Devises his property to his wife Mary, and to all his children equally, viz: Sarah McGuire, William Lockhart, James Lockhart, Polly McGuire, Jane Belcher and Daniel Lockhart.

DANIEL HARMAN, SR. Will probated Jan. 25th, 1820. W. B. 1, p. 116. Devises his property as follows: To his sons Mathias, William, Daniel, Henry, Adam, Buse and to his daughters, Pheby Davidson, Christina Harman, Rebecca Wright, Nancy Milam, Levicy Harman; to his son-in-law, Adam Harman.

THOMAS PERRY. Will probated June 27th, 1820. W. B. No. 1, p. 132. Devises his property as follows: "To my two eldest sons, Johnathan and James, and to William, Thomas, Joseph, Harvey; to my two eldest daughters, Polly Peery and Nancy Helms, and to daughters Rebecca Nelly and Parmilley."

ROBERT WYNN. Will probated Aug. 25th, 1818. W. B. No. 1, p. 135. Devises his property to his wife, Levina, to his sons Joseph and William, and to his daughter Phillis.

JAMES MAXWELL. Will probated March 27th, 1821. W. B. 1, p. 137. Devises his property as follows: "To his wife Jane, his



sons William and Robert, and to his daughter Mary, and to her son Maxwell Campbell; and to his four other daughters, Elizabeth, Margaret, Jane and Nancy; to his sons, John and James.

JOHN McENTOSH. Will probated March 27, 1821. W. B. 1, p. 136. Devised his property as follows: To his sons, John, George, and his son-in-law Thomas Brewster; and to his daughters, Elizabeth, Katherine, Peggy, Polly, Anny, Nancy, Sally and Rachel.

DUDLEY YOUNG. Will probated July 24th, 1821. W. B. 1, p. 147. Devised his property as follows: To Israel Young's wife, Levicie, and Charles Young's wife, Margaret. Also to his relations, Charles Young, Israel Young, Nathaniel Young and David Young.

JAMES THOMPSON. Will probated Aug. 28th, 1821. W. B. 1, p. 149. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, James Doak Thompson, George Washington Thompson, and to his sisters, Rachel Doak, and Lydia Doak, and to his brother William Thompson and to William Thompson, son of his said brother William; also to his brother Alexander Thompson. He gives a horse each to William Mitchell and Thomas Mitchell, and also a devise to James B. Thompson, the son of Archibald Thompson. He appointed his half-brother Archibald Thompson, one of his executors.

JAMES PERRY, SR. Will probated Nov. 27th, 1821. W. B. 1, p. 151. Devises his property as follows: "I give unto my living children, that is, Nancy Bandy, Samuel Peery, Hannah Peery and Michael Peery all the money I have on hand". To his son-in-law, John Crockett a rifle gun, to his grand-son Addison Crockett, his silver watch. He also names his three grand-children, John, Rufus and Robert Crockett.

GEORGE WAGONER. Will probated June 25th, 1822. W. B. 1, p. 165. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Elias, Adam and Highram, his daughters Rebecca, Elizabeth and Peggy.

HEINRICH (HENRY) HARMAN, SR. Will dated Feb. 18th, 1804. Probated July 23rd, 1822. Will Book No. 1, p. 167. Devises his property as follows: "First to my son, Elias; second to each of the lawful heirs of my son Daniel, deceased; thirdly to my sons, Henry, Adam, George and Hezekiah, and to my sons-in-law William Neel (husband of Rhoda) and James Davis (husband of Louisa) . . . . Fourthly, to each of the children of my son Mathias, deceased. . . ." Appoints his sons Hezekiah and Elias as Executors.



ISOME BELCHER. Will probated Jan. 28th, 1823. W. B. 1, p. 181. Devises his property as follows: To his children, Phebe, Obadiah, John, James, Nancy, Isome, Micaga, Jude, Ase, Henry, Moses, James, Johnathan and Robert. John Davidson and Henry Bailey, Executors.

WILLIAM DILLS. Will dated April 24th, 1820. W. B. 1, p. 187. Devises his property as follows: To his daughter, Gressa Smith, to his son, Peter Dills, to his daughters, Susanna Thorn and Rebecca Suiter. To his children by his present wife, to-wit: Peggy, William, Lydia, Henry, John and Benjamine Robbins. Appointed his wife Rebecca as Executrix.

PATRICK KINDRICK. Will probated Oct. 1825. W. B. 1, p. 201. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, William P. and James Q; to his daughters, Polly Clark (Formerly Kindrick), Jane Brown (formerly Kindrick), Isabelle Scott (formerly Kindrick), Elizabeth Scott (formerly Kindrick), Lydia Kindrick, Nancy Kindrick; and to his wife Elizabeth Kindrick.

HENRY ASBERRY. Will probated November, 1826. W. B. No. 1, p. 209. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Martha Asberry, to his sons, William and Jesse, and to his daughters, Polly, Jinny, Betsy and Rebecca; and to his sons Moses, Aaron, James and Thomas.

MOSES HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated November, 1826. W. B. 1, p. 211. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Betsy; To his sons Joseph, George, Charles, William, Thomas, Moses and Aaron; also to his daughters, Frances, Jane and Rachel.

DAVID WARD. Will probated June, 1827. W. B. No. 1, p. 221. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Eleanor Ward; to his sons Isaac, Hiram, Addison and Reese; to his daughters, Jane, Nancy, Phebe and Matilda Ward.

SOLOMON JONES. Will dated December 9th, 1827. W. B. No. 1, p. 227. Devises his property as follows: To his son Juble, who is to maintain testator and his wife, Sena Jones etc. to his sons, Lewis, Harvey and John; to his three daughters, Elizabeth, Rhody and Rebecca.

REES BOWEN. Will probated March, 1828. W. B. No. 1, p. 239. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Rebecca; to his daughters, Lilly, Elizabeth, Levicie; to his brother's son, Rees T. Bowen; to his sister's sons David Ward and Reese Ward; to his nephew

Rees B. Thompson; to his niece Lilly Heldridge. . . . Henry Bowen and John Ward, Executors.

WILLIAM SHANNON. Will probated May, 1828. W. B. No. 1, p. 242. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret Shannon; to his children, Thomas, Agnes and Elizabeth.

JOHN CUMPTON, SR. Will probated June, 1828. W. B. No. 1, p. 244. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Eleanor; to his sons, Elihu, Joseph, William, Hiram, Hickman; to his daughters, Nancy Cartmal, Rebecca Shannon, Sally.

JOHN JUSTICE. Will probated January 25th, 1830. W. B. No. 1, p. 290. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Polly; to his sons, Henderson, Daniel, Jehu, Jesse and James; and to his daughters, Jane, Ann, Nancy, Sally, Elizabeth and Manervy.

GEORGE RHINEHART. Will probated March, 1830. W. B. 1, p. 294. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Hugh T., and John N. Rhinehart, and to his wife Patsey.

JAMES WITTEN, SR. Will probated March, 1830. W. B. 1, p. 310. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Rebecca; to his sons, Samuel, William, Thomas and James; and to his daughters, Linna Cecil, Cynthia Quinn, Eleanor Quinn, Eliza Quinn and Matilda Thompson.

HANNAH HARRISON. Will probated June, 1830. W. B. No. 1, p. 311. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, Thomas, James, Joseph, Samuel, Audly (or Adley) and Alexander; and to her daughter, Nelly Thompson; and to her grand-daughter, Hanny Thompson; and to her grand-daughter, Hannah Harrison (Thomas Harrison's daughter) and to her daughter-in-law, Polly Harrison; and to the heirs of her daughter, Mary Gillespie, deceased.

WILLIAM PEERY, SR. Will probated August, 1830. W. B. No. 1, p. 314. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sally; to his sons, Robert, George, Thomas, and H. F. Peery; and to his daughters, Sophia, Emily, Cosby, Polly, Nancy, Olica and Cynthia.

GEORGE PERRY. Will probated November, 1831. W. B. No. 1, p. 323. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Martha; to his nine daughters, Rebecca Thompson, Polly Gibson, Nancy Muse, Martha G. Carroll, Peggy Hall, June Witten, Elizabeth Peery, Parmala Gibson, Attila Ann Rutledge; and to his sons, Andrew and Thomas. "The tract of land on which I live I intended for my son



Joseph, but in consequence of his having traded away his Claim to Jonathan Peery, I now bequeath the said tract of land to Jonathan Peery."

JAMES CARTER. Will probated February, 1831. Will Book 1, p. 324. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Elizabeth; to his daughters, Catherine French, Rebecca French and Nancy Carter.

JOHN LAIRD. Will probated May, 1831. Will Book 1, p. 327. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth, to his sons, Samuel and Cornelius; and to his daughters, Jane Witten, Letty Sayers, Polly Davis and Margaret Pratt. Appointed James F. Pendleton and Thomas Davis, his son-in-law, Executors.

MICHAEL STUMP. Will probated January, 1832. Will Book 1, p. 355. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly; to his son Crockett, and to his daughter Catherine.

#### *WILL BOOK No. 2.*

HOWARD HAVEN. Will probated January, 1833. W. B. 2, p. 19. Devised his property as follows: To his wife Martha and to his children, John, Matilda Whitley, wife of David Whitley, and Nancy Bane, wife of Russell Bane.

HENRY BAILEY. Will probated June, 1834. Will Book No. 2, p. 33. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth; to his children, John P., Philip P., Elijah, James M. and William R.

MATHIAS FOX. Will probated August, 1834. Will Book 2, p. 36. Devised his property as follows: To his wife Barbary; to his children, David S., Peggy Ana, Barbary, Mathias, Malindy, Peter, Elizabeth Gose, Sally Wynn—lately Baldwin. Peter Fox and Stephen Gose, Executors.

FRED COOK. Will probated, 1834. Will Book No. 2, p. 43. Devises his property as follows: To his children, George, Elizabeth Steel, Thomas, Nancy, Zachariah and William.

ISABELLA GOSE. Will probated May, 1835. Will Book No. 2, p. 52. Devises her property as follows: To her children, Betsy and Eveline, now in the State of Indiana, and remainder to her sister, Sallie Heniger, and to the mother of testatrix.

JEREMIAH LAMBERT. Will probated July, 1835, Will Book No. 2, p. 54. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sally, and to his grand-daughter, Delila and Sally Lambert; his grand-son,



William French, and the balance to be divided among his children, Levicy French, Nancy Stowers, and Sally Lambert, wife of his son Philip. Joseph Stras, Executor.

JOHN BAILEY (of Bluestone). Will probated March 30th, 1836. W. B. 2, p. 66. Devises his property as follows: To his children, Martha Harman, Rebecca McComas, Jonathan, George, Archibald, and Mastin; and to the children of his son James, viz: John Madison, Elizabeth Virginia and Henry Buren; to his daughter-in-law, Polly Bailey, formerly the wife of his son James.

SAMUEL PERRY. Will probated September, 1836. Will Book No. 2, p. 72. Devises his property as follows: To his children, James, Mariah Gillespie (wife of Thomas Gillespie). Testator then states: "I allow my three youngest daughters to have their part" etc. but he does not mention their names. He provides for his wife but does not give her name.

SHARTON SMITH. Will probated December, 1836. Will Book No. 2, p. 86. Devises his property as follows: To his grand-daughter Rebecca Micham.

WILLIAM MCGUIRE. Will probated April, 1837. Will Book No. 2, p. 99. Devises his property as follows: "To my two daughters Nancy and Pricilla . . . to my grand-daughter, Mary McGuire, of John." To his sons John, Jashua, William, Daniel Johnson, (son-in-law) Squire McGuire, Hannah Johnson, Polly Wingo, Eleanor Huckaly (or Huckaby) Rachel Lewis.

DANIEL DAY. Will probated January, 1839. Will Book No. 2, p. 127. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Christina, and to his daughters who are not married, viz: Lucy, Edy, Christina, Malinda and Isabella; to his son James and three other sons, whom he doesn't mention by name. He does not mention the number or names of his married daughters.

MICHAEL STUMP. Will probated March, 1839. Will Book 2, p. 147. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Anna and to his children, Christopher, Tazewell, Caty Burton, Peggy Franklin and Berry (or Benny).

JOHN HENINGER. Will probated May, 1839. Will Book No. 2, p. 148. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sally, and to his grand-son John, son of Henry, deceased; to his grand-son William Heninger, son of his son Joseph, deceased; to his son, Solomon, to his daughter Sally Lewis' son, William Lewis; and

daughter Lewisa Lewis; to his sons, Shadrach, Philemon, and Christopher; his daughters, Anna and Caty Wilson; to his sons Charles, Nicholas, and William; and to his daughter Jane Wynn.

**TILMAN CROCKETT.** Will probated October, 1839. Will Book 2, p. 149. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Araminta; to his three daughters by his first wife, viz: Ellenor Wilson, Hannah Owens and Dolly (?) Stump; and to his other children, Elizabeth Jane, John, and Lavisa Franklin.

**RICHARD STEEL.** Will probated February, 1840. Will Book 2, p. 158. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Eleanor, to his children, Shadrack, Richard, and Harvey; to his grand-sons, Calvin and Marvin Steel; and to his grand-daughters, Ann Eliza, and Elizabeth Steel; to his daughter Nancy Huton (?) and her children; to his sons, Edmond, Thomas, and Westley; to his son-in-law George Steel, and to his daughters Sharlotty Steel, and Tony (?) Steel.

**ARCHIBALD MALONY.** Will probated April, 1840. Will Book No. 2, p. 162. Devises his property as follows: To his son John, and to his daughter Mary Pruett, and to his wife Rachel Malony.

**ELLENER STEEL.** Widow of Richard Steel. Will probated April, 1840. Will Book No. 2, page 169. Devises her property as follows: To her sons Richard, Shadrach, and Edmond; to her daughters Ann Eliza, and Elizabeth; and to her son Harvey.

**JOHN C. CROCKETT.** Will probated December, 1840. Will Book 2, p. 175. Devises his property as follows: "To Hannah Peery during her life," to his sons, Robert and Addison, to his daughter Maria, his son Samuel and his children, to his sons John and Rufus, and to his daughters Jeen, Margaret, and Julia.

**WILLIAM BROOKS.** Will probated January, 1841. Will Book 2, p. 177. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Ann; to his daughter Polly, and to his sons, Richard, John, Thomas, William, and James; and to his daughters, "Margaret Kirk, Nancy Clyburn; heirs of Lowisa Asberry heirs of Sarah Todd and my grand-daughter Sarah Stephenson."

**LOW BROWN.** Will probated February, 1841. Will Book No. 2, p. 174. Devises his property as follows: "I give unto my three daughters, Cinthy, Jane, and Elizabeth." "Unto four of my sons, Joseph, Andrew, George, and Low; to my daughter Sarah; grand-



son Henry McGrannaham, to sons William and John, daughters Polly and Martha.

DANIEL JUSTICE. Will probated December, 1833. Will Book No. 2, p. 219. Devises his property as follows: His oldest son, John, his daughter Anna Robinett, his sons Moses, George, Daniel, his daughter Elizabeth Compton, wife of Hickman Compton, and to his daughter Sally Justice, then to her son George Washington Thompson; and to his daughters Betsy Robinett, Nancy Robinett, and Caty Robinett.

JOHN TRACY. Will probated August, 1842. Will Book No. 2, p. 243. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Elizabeth; and to his children *Amen*, John, Sally and Winston.

WILLIAM HARMAN. Will probated November, 1843. Will Book No. 2, p. 266. Devises his property as follows: To his son John B., to his wife Anna, to his son Henry H., to his daughter Nancy Dills, wife of William Dills, Peggy Havin, wife of John D. Havin; to his sons James H., and William R., His daughters, Jane, Louisa, and Marietta Harman.

JOHN PERRY. Will probated August, 1844. Will Book No. 2, p. 277. Devises his property as follows: "To his grand-son Hiram P. Peery and Clarissa Steel, his daughter and to Reuben Steel.

WILLIAM WHITMAN. Will probated August, 1844. Will Book No. 2, p. 278. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Elleanor. and at her death to his brother John Whitman; to his niece, Elleanor Peery, the daughter of William Peery, and to his nephew, Whitman Peery, the son of James Peery.

DAVID WHITLEY. Will probated October, 1844. Will Book No. 2, p. 278. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Peggy, and to his six daughters: Jane Maxwell, Polly Six, Peggy Moore, Mary Hendrick, Betsy Hendrick, and Cynthia Whitley; to his sons Andrew J., James, William and David R.

MARGARET DAILEY. Will probated November, 1844. Will Book No. 2, p. 289. Devises her property to her son, Issac Dailey.

WILLIAM HENIGER of Burk's Garden. Will probated January, 1845. Will Book No. 2, page 293. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Elizabeth, to his sons Isaac, Phillip, Thomas, and Samuel; and to his daughter Peggy Tolbert, to his two grand-sons, Harvey and Thomas Heniger, sons of Abraham Heniger, dec'd.



SAMUEL FLUMMER of Bluestone, 76 years old. Will probated April, 1845. Will Book No. 2, page 300. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Elizabeth, to his son William, and to his sons-in-law: George B. Clark, David Tabor, Allen Justice, and Constantine Adams, who married his daughter Nancy, and to his son Solomon.

GIDEON WRIGHT. Will probated May, 1845. Will Book No. 2, p. 301. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Eleanor, to his sons, Gideon, Harvey George, Daniel Harman, to his grand-son Gideon H. Totten, to his daughters, Nancy, Eliza Jane, Elean Myrinda, Rebecca and Lucinda.

HEZ. HARMAN. Will probated July 3, 1845. Will Book No. 2, p. 302. Devises his property as follows: Directs that his Executor pay out of his estate \$50.00 for the support of the Gospel in the way he has heretofore done; 2nd, to his wife, his son Kiah, his daughter Polly Davidson, his son Erastus G., his daughter Jane G. Harris, Martha B. Neel, Nancy N. Fudge, Rhoda N. Harman, and to his sons, Henry B., Elias G. W., and William W. He further directs that Henry and Ruth, two slaves, be liberated upon the death of the testator's wife; and directed that said slaves be well taken care of in their old age. "I allow my estate to give them a comfortable support in their old age, till death."

REUBEN BAILEY of Bluestone, being 75 years old. Will probated January, 1846. Will Book No. 2, p. 325. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Milley, to Barissa Waldron, daughter of Samuel Waldron by his daughter Sally, to his sons, William, Reuben and James; to his daughter Elizabeth Shrewsberry, and to his sons-in-law, Thomas White, Reuben Tanetson, David Mills, Samuel Waldron, Charles Cranforces and Shan Belsha.

ARCHIBALD THOMPSON. Will probated Sept., 1846. Will Book No. 2, p. 335. Devises his property as follows: To his sons William, John and James B., to his grand-son, George Erastus Thompson, his three grand-children: Marthy, Rebecca and Caroline Thompson, to his daughter-in-law, Margaret Thompson, to his daughters Jane C. Ward, Marthy D. Ward, Mary Thompson, Nancy Rutledge and Liddy Rutledge.

JAMES H. MOORE. Will probated December, 1846. Will Book No. 2, p. 259. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jane,

and to his children: Mary Kezia, Samuel Lycurgess and Sara Christina.

**JEREMIAH CLAYPOOL.** Will probated December, 1846. Will Book No. 2, p. 361. Devises his property as follows: To his oldest son, Miles, to his wife, Charity. Mentions his grand-children Amanda Asburry and Eli C. Asburry; to his daughter, Elizabeth McGuire. He then mentions Ephriam Claypool and James Claypool "your brothers" to assist in the division of the estate, then to James Claypool, Senr. brother of testator. Testator then says: "Jeremiah B. Claypool shall have the lot where I live. . . ."

**GEORGE SPRACHER.** Will probated January, 1847. Will Book No. 2, p. 375. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Pheby, and to his children: Peter, Barbary Rhudy, John Spracher, Jemima Crabtree, Stephen Spracher, Jacob Spracher, Ann Goodman, Margaret Ritter, and Catherine Spracher.

**ELIJAH KING.** Will probated June, 1847. Will Book No. 2, p. 415. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly. Then he emancipates all his slaves at the death of his wife.

**JOSEPH PERRY.** Will probated Sept., 1847. Will Book No. 2, p. 418. Devises his property to be equally divided among his children, but mentions only one by name—"my daughter Angeline." He mentions the fact that he is a brother of Henry Peery.

**SAMUEL HANSHEW.** Will probated Sept., 1847. Will Book 2, p. 428. Devises his property as follows: To his son John and "daughters, Elizabeth, Catherine, Gemima and Barbary." He mentions his wife also, but does not give her name.

**JOSEPH MOORE.** Will probated February, 1848. Will Book No. 2, p. 435. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Christina, to his daughters, Rhoda, Attilia, Cynthia, Nancy, Polly and Martha.

**HENRY HARMAN (of Burk's Garden).** Will probated February, 1848. Will Book No. 2, page ——. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly, to his sons Henry J., and Adam; to his daughters, Christina, Nancy, Sally and Lewanne. He also mentions the fact that his brother Adam had willed to him certain property.

**GABRIEL CRABTREE.** Will probated August, 1848. Will Book No. 2, p. 465. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Rees H., Thomas B., and Gabriel, and to his daughters, Polly and Catherine.



SUSANNAH KING. Will probated December, 1848. Will Book No. 2, p. 471. Frees all her slaves and divides her estate among them.

JOHN GOODWIN. Will probated May, 1849. Will Book No. 2, p. 481. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy, and to John Sayers and said Sayers children by his first wife, viz: Nancy, William, Susan, Alexander, Sally, John, David and Margaret; to Nancy, Elizabeth and Robert Goodwin, children of Robert Goodwin, deceased. Devised to his son Thomas Goodwin; to Samuel D. Goodwin, infant son of David Goodwin, deceased. To Grace Higginbotham, wife of Thomas Higginbotham, and to Sally Wilson, wife of Edward Wilson.

WILLIAM TAYLOR. Will probated March, 1849. Will Book No. 2, p. 491. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Milly; to his children Latitia Sanders Harrison, Susan Taylor, John Taylor, Sally Buchanan McDonald, Matilda George Taylor, Stephen Sanders Taylor and Charles Taylor. Testator mentions the fact that he is a son of John Taylor.

WILLIAM JONES. Will probated January, 1850. Will Book No. 2, p. 513. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sally; to his son Minatree, and to his daughters, Dorthy and Reginna.

MATHIAS HARMAN. Will probated February, 1850. Will Book No. 2, p. 515. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Nancy; to his sons, Elias V., Daniel H., William B., and Mathias H.

JACOB HAGER. Will probated February, 1850. Will Book, 2, p. 516. Devises his property as follows: To his wife Sarah, to his son, Squire; to his daughter, Polly: "To all the rest of my heirs" not mentioned by name.

HENRY BOWEN. Will probated May, 1850. Will Book No. 2, p. 524. Devises his property as follows: To his daughters, Louisa and Ellen; to his sons Rees and Henry.

### *WILL BOOK No. 3.*

LILES DOLSBURY. Will probated October, 1850. Will Book 3, page 7. Devises his property as follows: To his daughter, Catherine Reed; and to his grand-children, James Reed, Nancy W. Reed, Thomas Reed, Catherine Cook, Hysam Hyden. Col. Wm. Gillespie Executor.



JOHN THOMPSON. Will probated July, 1850. Will Book No. 3, p. 10. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly; to his sons, Walter W., William, Henry B., Arch, John and James; To his daughters, Jane Peery, Levicie S. Witten and Peggy Ward.

WILLIAM DAVIS. Will probated July, 1850. Will Book No. 3, p. 12. Devises his property as follows; to his wife, Katherine; to his sons, James L., Joseph, William and Wilburn; to his daughters, Polly Ann Fletcher, Elizabeth Carter, Rebecca D. Stairns and Margaret Milem.

JAMES HARRISON. Will probated January, 1851. Will Book 3, p. 20. Devises his property as follows; to his wife, Polly; to his sons, James, John C., Thomas G., and Joseph; to his daughters, Elizabeth Taylor and Cosby Graham.

MAXWELL MARRS. Will probated October, 1851. Will Book 3, p. 30. Devises his property as follows: to his wife (name not mentioned); to his daughters, Jane, Betsy, Sally, Polly and Margaret; to his sons, Robert, Henry, William and John; to William Pruett.

JOSEPH DAVIDSON. Will probated October, 1851. Will Book 3, p. 32. Devises his property as follows; to his wife, Matilda; to his sons, John, Henry, Robert, William, James and Samuel; to his grand-sons, Joseph Davidson (son of Henry) Samuel Richardson, Joseph Davidson (son of William), and to John Havens; to his grand-daughters, Matilda, Hannah and Irene Richardson, children of his daughter Jane; to his daughter Nancy Sullender; and to Martha Bane.

ELIZABETH LAIRD. Will probated January, 1852. Will Book 3, p. 41. Devises her property as follows: to her daughters Margaret Pratt and Polly Davis; to her son Cornelius.

JONATHAN PEERY. Will probated June, 1852. Will Book 3, p. 60. Devises his property as follows; to his wife (name not given); to his son Richard; to his daughters, Jane, Margaret and Catherine; to his grand-son John Henry Owens, son of deceased daughter Margaret.

WILLIAM THOMPSON. Will probated Sept., 1852. Will Book 3, p. 77. Devises his property as follows; to his sons, Thomas, William, and Milton; to his daughters, Minerva, Peggy, Jane, Polly and Narcissa.

LETITIA FLOYD. Will probated March, 1853. Will Book 3, p. 89. Devises her property as follows; to her sons, George, John, Ben Rush, and William; to her daughters, Lavalette, Letitia and Nicketti.

JAS. W. SHANNON. Will probated October, 1852. Will Book 3, p. 90. Devises his property as follows; to his wife, Nancy, all land and money during her life; at her death to be divided equally among his children (names not given).

## CHAPTER XVI.

### GENEALOGY SHOWN BY DEEDS—DEED BOOK No. 1.

FROM 1800 TO 1809.

James Brown and Esther, his wife, of the County of Russell and State of Virginia, to John Stephenson of the County of Tazewell, Virginia, dated June 3rd, 1800; p. 1.

From Richard Pemberton and Mary Pemberton, his wife to Elijah King. Deed is dated 1800; p. 2.

Teste: JOHN WARD, Clerk.

A power of Attorney, From George Webb to William Stalman of N. C., Dated Feb. 20th, 1800; p. 3.

Deed dated June 4th, 1800 and recorded in D. B., No. 1, p. 4. From Samuel Ferguson and Mary his wife and William Peery and Sally his wife to David Ward, George Peery, Robert Wallace, William Neel, Henry Bowen, David Hanson and Samuel Walker, composing the Worshipful Court of Tazewell County and their Successors in office for the use of said County. "For and in Consideration of the public buildings for said County have granted bargained and sold . . . unto the said Court of Tazewell and their successors forever, a certain tract of parcel of land lying and being in the County of Tazewell on the waters of Clinch River, Containing twenty three acres and twenty eight square poles" etc. This is the land on which the public buildings still stand and on which the main business part of the town of Tazewell (formerly Jeffersonville) now stands. From this deed we also secure the names of the magistrates composing the first Court held for the County.

Samuel Young and Susanna his wife to Israel Young, 1800; p. 5.

Edley Maxwell and Ann his wife to Jeremiah Witten, 1800; p. 6.

Edley Maxwell and Ann his wife to Abraham Davis, 1800; p. 7.

Robert Belchee and Mary Belchee his wife to James Richardson, 1800; p. 8.

Andrew Thompson to James Thompson, 1799; p. 9.

John Ferguson and Margaret his wife of Wythe County, Va., to Samuel Ferguson Senr. of same county, 1800; p. 11.

Dudley Young to Charles Young and John Young, 1800; p. 12.



Mathias Harman and Lydia his wife of Fleming County, Kentucky to William George of Wythe County, Virginia. Lands joining Henry Harman and Thomas Peery and having been granted to Mathias Harman by patent, dated Oct. 12th, 1787. Deed Dated 1799; p. 13.

Daniel Trigg, Executor of the last will and testament of William Ingles to Daniel Harman, 1800; p. 14.

Lydia Thompson, widow and heir of William Thompson, deed, John Thompson and Levisa his wife, Archibald Thompson and Rebecka his wife, William Ward and Nancy his wife, late Nancy Thompson, Robert Doak and Rachel, his wife, late Rachel Thompson, Andrew Thompson and Rebecca his wife, James Thompson, John Mitchell and Ames his wife, late Ames Thompson, heirs and devisees of said William Thompson to James Sloan and Jane his wife late Jane Thompson, 1802; p. 15.

John Compton and Rebecka his wife, to John Powers, 1800; p. 17.

William Lewis to Robert Wallace, 1800; p. 18.

Andrew Todd and Elizabeth his wife, to James Lockhart, 1800; p. 19.

Same Grantors to John Goodwin. Same date; p. 20.

Benjamin Porter Mahoney, to Daniel Young, 1800; p. 21.

John Peery and Sarah his wife, to John Evans, 1800; p. 22.

James Richardson and Nancy his wife, to Moses Higginbotham, 1800; p. 24.

John Greenup and Elizabeth his wife, to John McIntosh, 1800; p. 25.

James Frugate to Stephen Deskins, 1800; p. 26.

George Peery of Bottertout County, Virginia to Joseph Davidson, 1800; p. 28.

William Hall and Mary his wife to James Justice, 1801; p. 29.

Daniel Justice and Elizabeth his wife to James Day, 1801; p. 30.

John Greenup Senr. and Elizabeth his wife to Thomas Greenup, 1801; p. 31.

William Clark and Jane his wife, to David Hanson, 1801; p. 32.

John Tollett and Peggy his wife to William Shannon, 1800; p. 33.

Robert Belchee and Mary his wife to John Edde, 1801; p. 34.

John Asberry and Keziah his wife to William Asberry, 1801; p. 35.

David Ward and Ellenor his wife, to Hugh Wilson, 1801; p. 37.

Aleanah Wynne to David Whitley, 1801; p. 39.

Henry Marrs and Elizabeth his wife, to Christopher Marrs, 1801; p. 40.

Obadiah Gent to Gideon Fowler, 1801; p. 41.

Abednego White, of Russell Co., Va., to John Ratliff, 1801; p. 42.

Philip Lambert to Jeman Carter, 1801; p. 43.

Joseph Hoge to Thomas and John Cartmill, 1801; p. 44.

James Jones and Rhoda, his wife, to John Brooks and Richard Brooks, 1801; p. 45.

Abraham Lusk of Lee County, to John Davis, 1801; p. 46.

William Cecil and Nancy his wife to Henry Marrs, 1801; p. 47.

William Hall and Mary Hall his wife to William Wynne, 1803; p. 48.

James Shannon to William Shannon, 1803; p. 49.

Andrew Thompson and Rebecka his wife, of Montgomery Co., Virginia, to Edward Corder, 1802; p. 50.

Henry Harman, Senr. and Nancy his wife, of Tazewell Co., Virginia to Low Brown of Montgomery Co., Va., conveys 175 acres in Wrights Valley. Deed dated Oct. 7th, 1800; p. 52.

Same Grantors to same Grantees for 100 acres in Wrights Valley, 1800; p. 54.

John Vincent Grant, to Henry Darter, 1801; p. 56.

Absalom Stafford and Nancy his wife, to Micajah Anderson Thorn, 1801, p. 57.

William Oney and Mary his wife to Hezekiah Oney, 1800; p. 58.

Abraham Davis and Nancy his wife, to Jeremiah Witten. Deed dated Sept. 10th, 1801. Recorded in D. B. No. 1, p. 59.

Jeremiah Witten and Sarah his wife, to Thomas Witten, Deed dated Sept. 10th, 1801. Recorded D. B. 1, p. 60.

Truman Canter and Cynthia his wife, to Lewis Milam, 1801; D. B. 1, p. 61.

William Dills and Rebecca his wife to Peter Dills, 1801; D. B. 1, p. 62.

William Belchee and Hanna his wife, to Daniel Young, 1801; D. B. 1, p. 64.

Daniel Young and Mary his wife, to William Belchee, 1801; D. B. 1, p. 65.

Christian Shull and Sarah his wife, to John Hacney, 1801; p. 66.

John Hacney and Jane his wife to Solomon Milam, 1801; p. 67.

Daniel McFarlane of Cumberland Co., Ky., to James McFarlane of Russell Co., Va., 1801; p. 69.

Lawrence Comer and Margaret, his wife, to Hezekiah Harman, 1801; p. 71.

William Griffiths Senr. and Mary his wife to John Griffiths, 1802; p. 73.

Thomas Godfrey and Susanna his wife to Samuel Lusk, 1802; p. 75.

William Peery and Sally his wife to Canfield Taylor and James Taylor of Rockbridge County, Va., 1802. For lot in the Town of Tazewell, p. 76.

Thomas Godfrey and Susanah his wife to Isaac Adkins, 1801; p. 77.

James Rice and Mary his wife to Jeremiah Lambert, 1801; D. B. 1, p. 78.

Henry Harman Senr. to Hezekiah Harman, 1801; D. B. 1, p. 80.

Henry Harman Senr. to George Rinehard, 1801; p. 81.

William Peery and Sally his wife to Peter Kinder of Wythe Co., Va., 1802; p. 82.

Harry Smith, Sally Smith and Peggy Smith, heirs of Henry Smith, dec'd, of Russell County, Va., to Jeremiah Claypool, 1802; p. 83.

William Peery and Sally his wife to Audley Campbell, 1802, p. 84.

John Ratliff and John Crockett, entered into a contract to continue a Salt well on said Ratliff's place which said Ratliff had begun for the purpose of manufacturing salt, 1801; p. 85.

James Day and Mary his wife to John Stobaugh, 1802; p. 86.

Thomas Witten and Nelly his wife to Ebenezer Bruster, 1802; p. 87.

John Evans to Archibald Thompson, 1802; p. 88.

Daniel Trig, Surviving Executor of the will of William Ingles to Daniel Harman, 1802; p. 89.



Daniel Trigg, surviving Executor of the will of William Ingles to Mathias Harman, Senr., 1802; p. 90.

Christian Shull and Sarah his wife, of Montgomery Co., Virginia to Lawrence Comer, 1801; p. 91.

Smith Deskins and Mary his wife, to John Deskins, 1802; p. 92.

Low Brown of Montgomery Co., Va., to George Rinehart, 1802; D. B. No. 1, p. 93. Signed L. W. Brown.

William Lesley to his son John Lesley, 1802; p. 94.

Stephen Deskins to Smith Deskins, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 95.

William Saxton and Henry Wainwright of Boston, Mass., by their attorney Erastus Granger, to Henry Harman, son to Mathias Harman Senr. for land lying on Dry Fork where said Henry Harman now lives, 1803; D. B. 1, p. 96.

Henry Harman, son to Mathias Harman and Sarah his wife, to Joseph White, 1804; D. B. 1, p. 97.

Henry Harman Junr. and Christina, his wife, to Mathias Harman senr. and Daniel Harman Senr. Lands out of the 360,000 Acre Tract, granted March 28th, Sept., 1794, for Wilson Cary Nicholas, situated on Dick Creek of Dry Fork etc., 1803; p. 98.

Mathias Harman Senr. & Lydia his wife, of County of Tazewell to William George. Consideration \$1600. Lands lying on Clinch River joining the lands of Hezekiah Harman, Samuel Ferguson, Daniel & Mathias Harman, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 99.

John Young and Elizabeth his wife to Charles Young, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 100.

William Irwin and Mary (Polly) his wife, to John Young, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 101.

Daniel Harman Senr. and Nancy his wife, to Hezekiah Harman, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 102.

John Stinson and Phebe his wife to Israel Young, 1802; p. 103.

James Maxwell and Jenny (Jane) his wife to Audley Campbell, 1802; p. 103.

James Evans of Tazewell County, Va., and William Evans of Shelby County, Kentucky, legatees to the Estate of Robert Evans, decd, to Moses Evans of Tazewell County, Virginia, for 205 acres on Kimberlands fork of Walkers Creek, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 105.

Andrew Thompson and Rebecah his wife of Montgomery County, Va., to William Ward, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 106.

Thomas Ferguson and Nancy his wife to Rees Gillespie, 1802; p. 107.

Israel Young and Levisy his wife to Nathaniel Young, 1802; p. 108.

Hezekiah Harman and Polly his wife to Henry Harman, Jr., 1802; p. 109.

Richard Pemberton and Mary his wife to William Lockhart, 1802; p. 110.

William Hall and Mary his wife to John Crow, of Montgomery Co., Virginia, 1802; D. B. 1, p. 111.

William Peery and Sally his wife to Abram Davis, 1803; p. 112.

William Peery and Sally his wife to Samuel Laird, 1803, p. 113.

William Peery, Sr. and Sally his wife to Samuel Walker, 1802; p. 114.

Samuel Ferguson and Mary his wife, to Hezekiah Harman, 1802; p. 115.

John Hancy and Jane his wife to Emanuel Scyson, 1803, p. 117.

John Edde and Elizabeth his wife to Robert Higginbotham, 1802; page 118.

Timothy Roark and Sarah his wife to Thomas Bruster, 1803; p. 119.

Timothy Roark to William Cecil, 1803; D. B. No. 1, p. 122.

Andrew Thompson and Rebecca his wife of Montgomery County, Va., to John Mitchell, 1802; D. B. 2, p. 123.

John Miller Russell of Suffolk, Massachusetts, to Henry Harman, Junr., 1802; p. 124.

Henry Harman, Junr. and Christina his wife to Margaret Essex, 1803; p. 125.

Margaret Essex to Henry Harman, Junr., 1803; p. 126.

Thomas Bruster and Sarah his wife to Thomas Barret, 1803; p. 127.

John Compton Junr. and Ellenor his wife, to Frederick Cook, 1803; p. 128.

William Hall and Mary his wife, to Andrew Thompson of Wythe County, Virginia, 1803; p. 129.

William Hall and Mary his wife to Robert Sayers of Wythe County, Virginia, 1803; p. 130.

William Hall and Mary his wife to Thomas Shannon of Montgomery County, Virginia, 1803; p. 131.

William Saxton and Henry Wainwright of Boston, Massachusetts, by their Attorney Erastus Granger, to Isaac Dailey, 1803; p. 132.

William Saxton and Henry Wainwright of Boston, Massachusetts, by their Attorney, Erastus Granger, to Henry Harman Jr., son of Henry Harman, Sr., 1803; p. 133.

William Saxton and Henry Wainwright of Boston, Mass by their Attorney, Erastus Granger to Adam Harman and Mathias Harman, sons of Mathias Harman Senr., being part of the tract on which Mathias Harman Senr. now lives on the Dry Fork of Sandy River, 1803; p. 134.

Same Grantors to Thomas Harrisson, 1803; p. 135.

Same Grantors to Adam Harman and Mathias Harman, sons of Mathias Harman Senr., land on Dry Fork of Sandy, 1803; p. 136.

Hezekiah Harman and Polly his wife to John Perry (Blacksmith), 1803; p. 137.

Hezekiah Harman and Polly his wife to Samuel Ferguson, 1802; p. 139.

Lewis Milam and Molley his wife of Montgomery County, Virginia, to Aaron Fletcher, 1803; p. 140.

Andrew Thompson and Rebecka his wife of Montgomery County, Virginia to James Thompson, 1803; p. 141.

Thomas Ferguson of Knox County, Kentucky, and Nancy his wife to John Ward, 1803; p. 141. Conveys the right of Nancy as widow of John Bowen, decd, in consequence of Thomas Ferguson's interference with the said widow.

John Peery to Hezekiah Harman, 1803; p. 142.

Nancy Sullard, formerly Nancy Daniel, leased for ten years her Plantation to John Shifely, 1803; p. 143.

Joseph Patterson, of Wythe County, Virginia, Attorney in fact for John Walker of Rockbridge County, Virginia, to John Graham, for land on Plum Creek, 1803; p. 144.

Samuel Duff and Rebecka his wife of Russell County, Virginia, to Thomas Peery, 1803; p. 146.

Obadiah Gent to Henry Bowen, 1802; p. 147.

Jeremiah Claypool and Mary his wife to Jesse Young, 1803; p. 148.

Arch Haselrig of Wythe County, Virginia to Daniel Harman, son of Mathias Harman, decd., 1803; p. 149.



James Barrett of Montgomery County, Virginia, to Jesse Harper, 1803; p. 150.

Henry Harman Junr. and Christina his wife to John Peery, 1804; p. 151.

Larkin Kidd to Samuel Muncey, 1802; p. 152.

William Smith and Elizabeth his wife, to Benjamine Sloan, 1803; p. 153.

Zachariah Stanley and Sarah his wife of Montgomery County, Virginia, to Oliver Wynne, 1803; p. 154.

Archibald Haslerig of Wythe Co., Va., to Thomas Pickens, 1804; p. 156.

Arch. Heselrig to John Compton, 1803; p. 157.

Arch Haselrig to Jeremiah Witten, 1804; p. 158.

James Johnston, Attorney in fact for Daniel Johnston, Senr. of Knox County, Kentucky, to William Cecil, 1803; p. 159.

Daniel Young and Mary his wife to Nathaniel Young, 1804; p. 160.

Thomas Evans, Peter Outhouse and Geretta his wife, Michael Hammer and Mary Martha his wife, William Evans, Moses Evans, Robert Evans, late of Henry Co., Ky., legatees to the Estate of Robert Evans, decd., to James Evans, 1803; p. 161.

William Hall and Mary his wife to William Witten, 1804; p. 164.

Alexander Stuart of Monroe Co., Va., to Benjamine Hall and Pricilla his wife. Consideration is natural love and affection for said Pricilla, daughter of said Stuart, 1802; p. 165.

Same grantor to same grantee, p. 166.

Same grantor to same grantee, p. 167.

Daniel Harman Senr. and Nancy his wife, to Mathias Harman Senr. 1804;; p. 168.

James Brown and Esther his wife of Russell Co., Va., to Andrew McMillen of same County, 1804; p. 171.

David Lusk and Chloe his wife to John Lawson, 1804; p. 172.

Jeremiah Witten and Sarah his wife to Abraham Davis, 1804; p. 173.

John Evans to John Allen, 1804; p. 174.

William Lockhart Jr. and Jane his wife to Jeremiah Witten, 1804; p. 175.

Micajah A. Thorn and Susanna his wife to William George, 1804;; p. 176.

Wyett Daniel and Sarah his wife, to Obadiah Gent, 1804; p. 169.

John Graham of Floyd Co., Ky., to his son Thomas Witten Graham, 1804; Conveys one negro boy, p. 176.

Micajah A. Thorn and Susanna his wife to William George, 1804; p. 176.

Absalom Stafford and Nancy his wife, to William Burress, 1804; p. 177.

Henry Darter and Anne his wife, to John Crockett, 1804; p. 178.

Samuel Ferguson and Mary his wife to Thomas Harrison, 1804; p. 179.

Same Grantor to same Grantee, 1804; p. 180.

David Ward and Ellenor his wife to Arthur Blankenship, 1804; p. 181.

James Bristow and Elizabeth his wife to Ralph Blankenship of Russell County, Virginia, 1804; p. 182.

Elijah King to John Davis, 1804; p. 183.

Larkin Kidd to Oliver Wynne, 1803; p. 184.

Newett Drew and Sarah his wife to James Maxwell, 1804; p. 185.

John Hays and Rebecka his wife of Wilson Co. Tenn., to James Maxwell, relinquishes claim to land, 1801; p. 186.

John Stobaugh and Leah his wife to Philip Gose of Wythe County, Virginia, 1804; p. 187.

John Sansom (Lauson?) and Betsy his wife to Isaac Adkins, 1805; p. 188.

Robert Belshee of Lincoln Co., Ky., to Christian Trout, 1805; p. 189.

Alexander Boyd and Leah his wife of ——— Co., Tenn., to Robert and John Engledove of Wythe Co., Va., 1805; p. 190.

John Greenup and Elizabeth his wife, Joshua Dickerson and Susanna his wife, Philip Witten and Ruth his wife, Jeremiah Witten and Sarah his wife, Joshua Cecil and Keziah his wife, Thomas Witten and Ellenor his wife, William Cecil and Ann his wife, James Witten and Rebecka his wife, of Wythe County, Virginia to William Witten of said County. The above named being legatees of the Estate of Thomas Witten decd., dated 1794; p. 191-2.

William Smith and Elizabeth his wife to Hugh Wilson, 1804; p. 193.

James Moore and Nancy his wife to William Smith, 1805; p. 194.

Joseph Ward and Keziah Ward his wife, to John Ward, 1805; p. 195.

Joseph Oney and Rebecka his wife of the County of Montgomery to John Justice, 1805; p. 196.

Joseph Ward and Keziah his wife to John Ward, 1805; p. 197.

James Moore and Nancy his wife to William Smith, 1805; p. 199.

John Young and Elizabeth his wife to Israel Young, 1805; p. 200.

Thomas Harrisson Sr. and Hannah his wife to Thomas Harrisson, Junr., 1805; p. 201.

John Compton, Junr. and Ellenor Compton to Joshua Day, 1805; p. 202.

Allen Marlow and Jane his wife to John Young, 1805; p. 203.

John Ward and Nancy his wife to James Robertson, 1805; p. 204.

Same Grantors to Joseph Ward, 1805; p. 206.

Richard Muse of Wythe Co., Va., to Henry Shrader, 1803; p. 207.

William Asberry to Jared Bowling, 1805; p. 208.

William Witten and Letticie his wife to Rutherford Whitt and Joseph Oney, 1805; p. 209.

William Cecil and Nancy Cecil to Archibald Meloney, 1805; p. 210.

William Witten and Letticie his wife to John Laird, 1805; p. 211.

Samuel Laird and Elizabeth his wife to James and Cafley Taylor 1805; p. 212.

John Tollett and Margaret his wife to David Whitley, 1805; pp. 213-214-215.

Thomas Owens and Polly his wife to Henry Luster, 1805; p. 216.

William Smith and Elizabeth his wife to James Robinson, 1805; p. 217.

Robert Belshec to Christian Trout, 1805; p. 218.

Henry Banks of the City of Richmond to James Thompson, Power of Attorney, 1805; p. 219.



John Tollett and Margaret his wife to Thomas Pickens, 1805; p. 220.

Same Grantors to same Grantee, 1805; pp. 221-222.

William Witten and Letticie his wife to Samuel Laird, 1805; p. 223.

Same grantors to same Grantee, 1805; p. 224.

William Witten and Letticie his wife, John Greenup and Elizabeth his wife, to John Tollett, William Witten, James Witten, Jeremiah Witten, Thomas Greenup and Smith Deskins, Trustees in trust. Conveys four acres and a half, situate on Clinch River, including a small spring under the north bank of Clinch River, upon which to erect a church for the use and benefit of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America etc. Said four and a half acres described by metes and bounds and comes out of a 121 acre survey made to John Greenup and Thomas Witten, decd., 1787, 1805; p. 225. This is the first deed made to Church property as shown by the Deed Books. Doubtless prior donations of lands for Church purposes were made and shown by the records of the older counties from which Tazewell was formed.

Smith Deskins and Margaret Deskins his wife, to John McIntosh, 1805; p. 227.

Andrew Davidson and Sally his wife to Joseph Clark, 1805; p. 228.

Lemaster Cooksey and Nancy his wife, to John Goodwyn, 1805; p. 229.

John Young and Elizabeth his wife to Walter Mattingly, 1805; p. 230.

Stephen Deskins and Annie his wife to John Deskins, 1805; p. 230.

P. Kendrick and Elizabeth his wife to John Deskins, 1805, p. 231.

William Brown of Montgomery Co., to John Lasley, 1805; p. 232.

William Brown and Mary his wife to Jacob Shull, deed of release, 1805; p. 233.

Jacob Shull and Mary his wife to William Brown, 1805; p. 235.

John Asberry and Kesiah his wife to Christian Trout, 1805; p. 235.

Andrew Heburn and Eunice his wife to William Smith, 1805; p. 236.

Christian Trout and Elizabeth his wife to Arthur Blankenship, 1805; p. 237.

Same Grantors to same Grantee, 1805; p. 239.

William Davidson and Polly his wife to David Lusk, 1805; p. 240.

James Sloan and Jane his wife to George Grubb, 1805; p. 241.

Robert Lasley of Floyd Co., Ky., to Lewis Milam, 1806; p. 241.

Low Brown of Montgomery Co., Va., to George Rhinehart, 1805; p. 242.

George Davidson and Jennie his wife and John Davidson to Joseph Moore, 1806; p. 243.

James Moore and Nancy his wife to John Davidson, 1806; p. 244.

Thomas Harrison and Hannah his wife to Jonathan Peery, 1806; p. 245.

Same Grantors to same Grantee, 1806; p. 246.

Justice of the Court, to-wit, David Ward, George Peery, William Neel, Robert Wallace, Henry Bowen, David Hanson, and Samuel Walker to Thomas Harrisson Senr. for lots in Jeffersonville, 1804; pp. 247-8.

Henry Patton and Martha his wife of Montgomery Co., Va., to Joseph Davidson and William George, 1806; p. 248.

In Deed Book No. 1, page 249, Henry Bowen and Thomas Witten, who are Commissioners for holding the election for President and Vice President of the United States, certified that at the election, held on the first Monday in November, 1804, that there were twenty four Electors on the Presidential Ticket, each one of whom received forty-nine votes in Tazewell County. The names of said Electors are given, among whom is General John Preston of Montgomery County. It will be seen from this record that a very small number of the voters of Tazewell County participated in this election, in which Thomas Jefferson was elected for the second time as President of the United States. The electors on this ticket received the solid vote of Tazewell County. William McKinley was an Elector on this ticket.

Thomas Owens and Mary his wife to Francis Starr, 1806; p. 250.

Daniel Harman and Nancy his wife to their son Mathias Harman, for land on Lincolnshire Branch, 1806; p. 251.

Alexander Stuart of Monroe Co., Va., (now W. Va.,) to Alexander Hutcheson of Augusta County, Virginia, 1806; p. 252.

Micajah Bailey and Naomi his wife to Archibald Bailey, 1806; p. 253.

William Taylor to Andrew Peery, 1805; p. 254.

Cornelius McGuire and Esther his wife of Floyd Co., Ky., to William George, 1805; p. 255.

William Oney to Zachariah Scaggs, 1806; p. 256.

Cawfield Taylor and James Taylor to William Taylor, 1806, p. 257.

Thomas Witten and Ellenor his wife to Samuel C. Witten and William Witten (brothers), 1806; p. 258.

George Peery and Martha his wife, William Davidson and Polly his wife, Low Brown and Jane his wife, Joseph Davidson and Matilda his wife, Andrew Davidson and Sally his wife, John Burk and Peggy his wife George Davidson, and Jennie his wife, Jessee Farley and Betsy his wife and John Bailey, Legatees of John Davidson, deceased, of the counties of Montgomery and Tazewell, of the one part, and Joheph Moore of Tazewell Co., Va. of the other part. This deed conveys land on Bowyer's Branch of Bluestone and some of the head waters of East River, 1806; page 259-60.

William Taylor and Milley his wife, John Peery, Blacksmith, of Tazewell Co., Va., and James Taylor and Sarah his wife of Washington Co., Va., to Mathias Harman, Junr. of Tazewell Co., Va., 1806; p. 261-2.

James Peery, Senr. and Peggy his wife and John Peery (BS) to Solomon Peery, 1806; p. 263-4.

Above named legatees of John Davidson, conveyed to James Bailey, 1806; p. 264.

George Peery of Knox County, Tenn., to James Peery Junr., 1805; p. 266.

William Kidd to Larkin Kidd, 1806; p. 267.

Same Grantor to same Grantee, 1806; p. 268-9.

Solomon Peery and Sarah his wife to Henry Harman, Jr., 1806; p. 269-71.

John Borders and Caty his wife to Nehemiah Bonham of Wythe County, Virginia, 1805; p. 271-2.

Samuel Walker and Susannah his wife to Joseph Raburn, 1806; p. 273-4.



John Cartmill to James Bean of *Jiles* Co., Va., 1806; p. 273-4.

William Burris to Henry Stump, 1806; p. 274-5.

Isaac Bristow and Margaret his wife to John Athey of Washington County, Virginia, 1806; p. 276-7.

Daniel Trigg, surviving Executor of William Ingles of Montgomery County, Virginia, to John Grills, 1806; p. 278-9.

John Grills and Hannah his wife to James Witten, 1806; p. 279.

James Evans and Elizabeth his wife of Tazewell County, to George Harman of Wythe County, Virginia, 1806; p. 281. This deed conveys 350 acres lying in Tazewell Co., Va., on Kimberling's fork of Walker's Creek, and, being part of a tract of 580 acres granted to Robert Evans.

Alexander Orr and Margaret his wife of Wythe Co., Va., to James Evans, 1806; p. 283-4.

Moses Evans of Shelby Co., Ky., to Oliver Powers, 1806; p. 284-5.

Nehemiah Bonham and Rachel his wife of Wythe Co., Va., to Jacob Taller, 1806; p. 287-8.

William Clark and Jean his wife to John Wilson, 1806; p. 289.

James Evans and Elizabeth his wife to Solomon Jones, 1806; p. 291.

Micajah A. Thorn and Susanah his wife to Henry Hoppis of Wythe County, Va., 1806; p. 292. (Conveys 650 acres on head waters of Clinch where said Thorn now lives).

John Lain and Margaret his wife to William George, 1806; p. 293.

Hez. Harman and Polly his wife to Henry Harman and George Harman, sons of Daniel Harman, decd. Conveys 130 acres in Wright's Valley, 1807; p. 294. (Henry and George were evidently the sons of the Daniel Harman, son of Henry Harman, Sr., who was killed by the Indians in 1792).

Andrew Davidson of Palasky Co., Ky., to John Davidson, 1807; p. 295.

James Cartmill to William Wall, 1806; p. 296.

William Meguier to John Compton, 1807; p. 297-8.

Henry Bowen and Ella his wife to Berryman Porter, 1807; p. 299.

Henry Harman, Jr. and Christina his wife, to Evalina Dills, infant daughter of Rebecky Dills, 1807; p. 300.

Obadiah Gent to Henry Bowen, 1807; p. 301.

James Thompson, Atto. in fact for Henry Banks to Moses Workman, 1807; p. 302.

James Thompson, Atto. in fact etc. to William Witten, 1807; p. 303.

Micajah Anderson Thorn and Susannah his wife to William Hall, 1807; p. 305.

William Davidson and Phebe his wife to Hugh Tiffany of Monroe Co., Va., 1807; p. 306.

William Davis, Power of Atto. to Stephen S. Welch, 1810, p. 306.

James Cartmill and Margaret his wife to Samuel Flummer, 1806; p. 309.

Smith Deskins and Margaret his wife to Adam Harman and Mathias, his brother, 1806; p. 310.

Thomas Barrett and Polly (Mary) his wife to Adam and Mathias Harman, 1806; p. 311.

Thomas Barrett and Mary (Polly) his wife to Adam and Mathias Harman, 1806; p. 312.

John Greenup and Elizabeth his wife to Thomas Greenup, 1808; p. 313.

James Cartmill to John Compton, 1806; p. 314.

Gideon Foster to Obadiah Gent, 1806; p. 315.

William Lockhart and Rachel his wife to John Davis, 1807; p. 316.

John Davis and Peggy his wife and George Davidson and Jenny or (Jean) his wife to Samuel and William Witten, 1807; p. 317-18.

Same Grantors to same Grantee, 1807; p. 319.

Samuel C. Witten and Susannah his wife and William Witten and Nancy his wife to Thomas Witten, 1807; p. 321.

Samuel Walker and Susannah his wife, to Thomas Owens, 1807; p. 322-3. (Conveys 600 acres on North fork of Clinch, adjoining lands of Joseph Raeburn, Henry Harman, John Peery, William Neel, James Sloan, and David Peery. Consideration, 600 pounds).

William Peery and Sally his wife to John Trigg and William King, 1807; p. 224-5.

Members of the County Court to Gordon Cloyd and Joseph Moore. A lot in Jeffersonville, 1807; p. 226-7.

Richard Bailey Senr. to Eli Bailey, 1807; pp. 327-8.

Members of the County Court to John I Trigg and William King, 1807; p. 329. (Lot in Jeffersonville).

Susanah Aston of Madison County, Ky., (formerly the widow of Joseph Wray) and George Aston (her present husband) to Zechariah Belcher, relinquishes dower, 1806; p. 331.

John Grills and Hannah his wife to Daniel Justice Senr., 1807; p. 332.

Same Grantors to Mathias Fox, 1807; p. 333.

Howard Bane and Lettice his wife to George Webb, 1807; p. 334.

Same Grantors to John Nuckles, 1807; p. 335.

John and Thomas Cartmill to John Lasley, 1806; p. 336.

Robert Wallace and Nancy his wife to William Walls, 1807; p. 339.

William Hall and Mary his wife to Peter Gose, 1807; p. 340.

James Thompson of Washington Co., Va. to Samuel Shannon, 1807; p. 341.

George Kendrick of Russell County, Virginia to Daniel Horton, 1808; p. 343.

Richard Bailey Senr. and Elizabeth his wife to Hugh Tiffany of Monroe County, Virginia, 1807; p. 344.

Frederick Trent and Elizabeth his wife to Tyron Gibson, 1807; p. 245-6.

Hezekiah Whitt and Rachel his wife to John Davis, Junr., 1808; p. 347.

Samuel Ewing, Atto. for Francis Preston, to Andrew Shortridge, 1808; p. 348.

James Thompson to Philip Gose, 1807; p. 349.

Samuel Ewing etc. to James Harper, 1808; p. 350.

Rutherford Whitt and Hannah his wife and Joseph Oney and Susanah his wife to Ebenezer Bruster, 1807; p. 352.

John Bristow and Margaret his wife to David Robinson, 1808; p. 353-4.

John Laird and Elizabeth his wife to James Witten, 1808; p. 355.

William Ward of Wythe County, Virginia to Hezekiah Harman, 1808; p. 356.

Hezekiah Harman and Polly his wife to John Evans, 1808; p. 357.



Low Brown and Jane his wife of Montgomery County, Virginia, to Isaac Brown, 1808; p. 358.

Henry Harless and Charity his wife to George Justice, 1807; p. 359.

Thomas Witten and Ellenor his wife and John Evans to Archibald Thompson, 1807; p. 360.

Daniel Johnston and Rachel his wife to Daniel Horton, 1807; p. 361-2.

Abednego White and Elizabeth his wife of Russell County, Virginia and John Bristo and Ralph Blankenship to Richard Steele, 1808; p. 363.

John Tollett and Margaret his wife of Roan Co., Tenn., to David Whitley, 1807; p. 364.

Zachariah Elkins and Rachel his wife of Kanawha Co., Va., to Frederick Cook of Wolf Creek, Tazewell Co., Va., 1807; p. 366-7.

Andrew McMillin and Nancy his wife to James Brown, 1808; p. 368.

Mathias Harman, Senr. of Tazewell, Co., to Walter McCoy, 1808; p. 369.

Thomas Bruster and Sarah his wife to Ebenezer Bruster, 1807; p. 370.

Garland Hiat, Atto. in fact for John Moore, to Benjamine Porter, 1808; p. 371.

James Robertson and Sarah his wife to Andrew McMillin, 1808; p. 372.

*Boundary Line* between the Counties of Russell and Tazewell, reported by Commissioners, H. Bowen and David Hanson as follows: "Beginning at a Double chestnut and Maple at the head of Cove Creek at the former corner of Division between the said Counties Thence  $23^{\circ}$  w. 1440 poles to Jacob Franciscos Mill, Thence N  $25^{\circ}$   $30'$  W 560 poles including Daniel Hortons Dwelling house in Tazewell County to a White oak red oake and Two Sour woods thence North  $39^{\circ}$  W 1064 poles to the Mouth of Cole Creek where the commissioners thought advisable to stop their measurement at present".

Signed

"H. BOWEN

DAVID HANSON."

This certificate admitted to record June Term, 1808; p. 374.

Daniel Harman and Nancy his wife to Rebecka Wright, 1808; p. 375.

Daniel Harman and Nancy his wife to Solomon Milum, 1808; p. 376.

Zachariah Stanley to John Crockett, 1808; p. 377.

Hezekiah Whitt and Rachel his wife to James Whitt, 1808; p. 378-9

Hezekiah Whitt and Rachel his wife to Griffitt Whitt, 1808; p. 380.

Benjamin Porter to William Newton, 1808; p. 380.

Daniel Horton, Atto. for Daniel Johnston and Rachel Johnston to Travis Kendle, 1808; p. 383-4.

Same Grantors to Patrick Kendrick, 1808; p. 385.

James Maxwell Senr. to William George, 1808; p. 386.

William George and Jenny his wife to James Peery Sr., 1808; p. 387-8.

William Davidson Sr. to his children, Peggy Williams, Betsy, Polly, Millinde, Jenny and Joseph Davidson, 1808; p. 389.

Walter Mattingley to William Boling, 1808; p. 390.

Philip Gose to Peter Gose.

Tryon Gibson and Peggy his wife to John Brown, 1808; p. 392.

John Crow and Hannah his wife of Montgomery Co., Va., to Robert Sayers of Wythe Co., Va., 1806; p. 393.

John Peery to James Peery his son, 1808; p. 395.

John Grills of Washington Co., Va., to John Ingles, 1808; p. 397.

James Peery and Pheby his wife to Daniel Hensley of Kanawa Co., Va., 1808; p. 399.

Thomas Pickings and Sarah his wife to John Tollett, 1808; p. 402-3-4.

Mathias Harman and Lydia his wife to Thomas Bruster, 1808; p. 405.

Walter McCoy to Mathias Harman, 1808; p. 406.

William Garrison and Jane his wife to David Young, 1808; p. 407.

Jessee Young to Jeremiah Claypool, 1808; p. 408.

Hezekiah Oney and Barbara his wife to William Smith, 1808; p. 409.

James Thompson of Washington Co., Va., to Ambrose Hall, 1808; p. 413.

John Preston and Mary his wife of Montgomery Co., Va., to Francis Starr, 1806; p. 414-16.

William McGuyer of Floyd Co., Ky., to Thomas Cartmill, 1808; p. 416-17.

Same Grantor to Joseph Moore, 1808; p. 418.

Thomas Pickens to Joseph Moore, 1808; p. 419.

Same Grantor to same Grantee, 1808; p. 420.

Richard Brooks and Peggy his wife to John Brooks, 1808; p. 421-2.

Archibald Meloney and Esther his wife to John Meloney, 1808; p. 423.

John Vandyke and Charlotte his wife to James Vandyke, 1808; p. 424.

John Vandyke Senr. and Charlotte his wife, to John Vandyke Junr.

Same Grantors to Charles Vandyke, 1808; p. 426.

Samuel Hough of Loudon Co., Va., to Zechariah Stanley of Montgomery Co., Va., 1808, p. 428-9.

John Lasley and Martha his wife to Howard Bane, 1809; p. 430.

William Davidson Senr. and Phebe his wife to Hugh Tiffany, 1809; p. 431.

Thomas Harrison Junr. and Rebecka his wife to Robert Maxwell, 1809; p. 433.

Zechariah Stanley and Sarah his wife of Montgomery Co., Va., to William Day, 1809; p. 435.

John Peery, Blacksmith, to David Peery, his son, 1809; p. 436.

Thomas Belchey of Madison Co., K., Power of Atto. to Arthur Blankenship, 1808; p. 438.

John Mitchell to John King, 1809; p. 439.

Arthur Blankenship, Atto. etc. to Joseph McGuire, 1809; p. 440.

David Lusk and Chloe his wife to Hugh Tiffany, 1809; p. 441.

Alexander Wolcott of Connecticut to Margaret Douglas, conveys 22,600 acres of land on Sandy River, 1801; p. 422.

Arthur Blankenship, Atto. in fact to Thomas Belchey, to Joseph Joseph McGuire, 1809; p. 444.



John Preston and Mary R. his wife of Montgomery Co., Va., to Elizabeth Madison. Land lies on Nobusiness Creek a Branch of Walker's Creek etc., p. 445.

William Davidson, Senr. and Phebe his wife to James McGranahan of Monroe Co., Va., 1809; p. 447.

Robert Wallace and Nancy his wife to William Walls, 1807; p. 448.

Same Grantors to John Lesley, 1807; p. 449.

Samuel Ewing of Russell Co., Va., Atto. etc. for Francis Preston, to Patrick Kendrick, 1808; p. 450.

Same Grantor to Stephen Deskins, 1809; p. 451.

John Hankins Senr and Elizabeth his wife to Moses Hankins, 1809; p. 452. (Land in Baptist Valley).

Simon Crockett of Montgomery Co., Va., to Thomas Dailey, 1809; p. 453.

James Thompson to Andrew Messersmith, 1808; p. 454.

Travis Kendall and Susanah his wife to Patrick Kindrick, 1809; p. 455.

Thomas Cartmill and Nancy his wife to George Rinehart, 1809; p. 456.

Christopher Marrs and Mary his wife to Jonathan Peery, 1809; p. 457-8.

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## CHAPTER XVIII.

### SHOWING ALL DEEDS TO CHURCHES FROM 1800 TO 1922.

1805. Deed Book No. 1, page 225.

William Witten and Letticie his wife, John Greenup and Elizabeth his wife, to John Tollett, William Witten, James Witten, Jeremiah Witten, Thomas Greenup and Smith Deskins, Trustees in trust, Conveys four acres and a half, situate on Clinch River, including a small spring under the north bank of Clinch River, upon which to erect a church for the use and benefit of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America ect. Said four and half acres described by metes and bounds, and comes out of a 121 acre survey made to John Greenup and Thomas Witten, decd. This is the first deed made to Church property as shown by the Deed Books. Doubtless prior donations of lands for Church purposes were made and shown by the records of the older counties from which Tazewell was formed.

1815. Deed Book No. 2, page 330.

Hez. Harman conveyed to Isaac Charles, Robert Wynne, Hez. Harman, Evans Peery, and Henry Wynne, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, "one acre around Bethel meeting house on the head of Clinch."

1815. D. B. No. 2, p.. 509.

John Lasley conveyed to Isaac Brown, William Brown, Samuel Flummer and Thomas Alin, Trustees of the Methodist Church, a half acre, "of the tract of land I now live on."

1831. D. B. No. 5, p. 243.

Samuel Sayers and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to James Meek, George Spraker, Philip Gose, Oliver Wynn and Samuel Sayers, Trustees of "The Burkes Garden Church." "To erect a house for Religious worship," one and a half acres "whereupon said meeting house now stands." No denomination is mentioned in this deed.

George Rudey and Catherine, his wife, conveys same land to same Trustees. See D. B. 5, p. 253.

1844. D. B. No. 8, page 285.

Hervey George and Sallie, his wife, Thomas Witten and Nancy, his wife, conveyed ten acres to Hervey George, James S. Witten, Samuel Witten, Zeno S. Sprinkle, William Brown, James Whitley and George W. G. Browne, Trustees, for the use of the Methodist Episcopal Church as a Camp Ground.

1859. D. B. No. 12, page 500.

John W. Johnston conveyed to Richard Vincent Wheelan, Bishop of Wheeling and his successors in office, a lot in the town of Jeffersonville on which the Catholic Church stands." This lot was subsequently conveyed to Trustees of the Christian Church, and later acquired for Tazewell High School and is now occupied by Tazewell High School Chapel.

1852. D. B. No. 10, page 352.

William Stump and Polly, his wife, to Jocab Burton, Adam Hedrick and Moses Kearns, Trustees for the use and occupancy of the "Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran and Baptist Churches, and such others as they may in their discretion permit to occupy, the same observing the rule that the appointment first made shall always have preference according to the above regulation." This is Concord Church situate about five miles east of the Court House.

1859. D. B. No. 12, p. 543.

John C. Bandy and W. P. Cecil to William Seabolt, J. J. Mays, William Pruett, R. W. Mars and H. W. Mars, Trustees of the Christian Church. The property is situate on Cavitts Creek near the residence of John C. Bandy and contains about three quarters of an acre. The Church house to be erected thereon is to be called Bullards Chapel.

1858. D. B. No. 12, p. 483.

Daniel P. Gregory and Mary J. Gregory, his wife, to Christopher Shawver, Daniel Gregory and Adam Britts, Trustees. "For the purpose of having a meeting house built on the land conveyed, free for the use of all denominations professing the Christian religion when not occupied by the Christian Church." The lot is situate on Clear Fork and contains about one and a half acres. This Church is now known as Chestnut Grove Church and is still used by the Christian Church of the neighborhood.



1873. D. B. No. 15, p. 521.

William Perry and Harrison Tabor to Hugh D. Dudley, Charles A. Hale, Granger Brown, Austin Mullin and John Tabor, Trustees, Conveys a certain lot near Falls Mills, containing one acre and twenty (20) poles, "for the purpose of erecting a house of religious worship thereon for the use of the Christian Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and free for the use of other religious denominations except Mormons and Roman Catholics."

1823. D. B. No. 3, p. 337.

John Wynn and Levie, his wife conveyed to Isaac Quinn, James Witten, Samuel Witten, John Laird, Thomas Cecil, Thomas Peery, Jacob Helms, James Wynn and Hez. Harman, Trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church, a certain lot containing one and a half acres and twelve square poles, "in the boundaries of said Wynn's lands on the Sulphur Spring ridge and near the east end thereof."

1828. D. B. No. 4, p. 236.

Betsy Higginbotham and Charles, her son, conveyed to David Young, William Higginbotham, James Higginbotham, Daniel Belche and David Allen, Trustees, a certain lot containing one acre adjoining the lands of Daniel Belche. The house to be used for school purposes and for a "meeting house."

1846. D. B. 12, p. 301.

Mark R. Bogle, Euell S. Murphy and Samuel H. Murphy, To Stephen Gose, Henry C. Kidd, Thomas Cook, Elijah Kidd and Isaac Repass, Trustees, Conveyed "a certain lot in the valley of Wolf Creek at the ford of the Green Valley branch, containing one acre." "For school and for meeting house." For Methodist, Lutheran, and presbyterian Churches, as a place of public worship and for other purposes. The trustees are to so arrange the hours of meetings of the several denominations "that no clashing in the appointments for the ministers shall interrupt the harmony of the neighborhood." This property is situate in Bland County.

1858. D. B. No. 12, p. 293.

William Redrick and Zillah C., his wife, conveyed to Stephen Gose, Wm. M. Neel, Archibald Barnett, Isaac Repass and James V. Pendleton, Trustees, a lot of land on Wolf Creek containing two

acres for the benefit of the Methodist Church South and for the Lutheran Church. This property lies in Bland County.

1843. D. B. 8, p. 18.

John Eiler and Rebecca, his wife, and Samuel Carter, convey to Randal Holbrook, Joseph A. Moore, William R. Bane, William V. Shannon, John B. Harman, James H. Moore and George W. G. Browne, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church for a school house and meeting house. All other orthodox preachers in good standing in their Church permitted to preach in said house so as their appointments do not interfere with those of the Methodists. Said land lies on the waters of Bluestone on the branch between said Eiler's house and Samuel Carter's on the turn pike road.

1844. D. B. 8, p. 287.

Birdine Deskins and Margaret, his wife, convey to Thomas Barnett, Sr., Charles Mitchell, James Deskins, Thomas Davis, Birdine Deskins, James Maxwell, Jr., Archibald Bruster, George Deskins, Jr., and Thomas Barrett, Trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church, three-fourths of an acre of land. The description of this lot is as follows: "Lying in Tazewell County, Virginia, bounded as follows: 'Beginning on a small sugar tree on a line of a tract of land that formerly belonged to Bird Lochart, thence South one pole to the main road, thence with said road, north and east to the fork, being twenty poles, thence south 70° West, 18 poles to the beginning.'" We have not so far identified this property, but think it is located west of Maxwell on the hill.

1849. D. B. No. 9, p. 487.

Reese H. Crabtree conveyed to James B. Crabtree, Robert J. Stephenson, William Higginbotham, Richard Roberts, Solomon C. Turley, John Chiddix, Samuel C. and Thomas Turley, Trustees, a certain lot on the North bank of the Laurel Fork of Holston River, containing one acre, for the use of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

1849. Deed Book No. 9, page 490.

James C. Davidson and Julia H. Davidson, his wife, conveyed to Robert W. Davidson, John C. Carpenter, Peter C. Honaker, Alexander Suiter, Edward Wilson, John P. Lambert and James C. Davidson, Trustees, "a certain lot containing two acres lying on



Wolf Creek opposite the mouth of Terry's Spring branch on the west bank of Wolf Creek, for the use of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South." This property is in Bland County.

1848. Deed Book No. 9, page 508.

Andrew P. Moore and Nancy, his wife, conveyed to William T. Moore, Waddy T. Curren, Wesley Gibson, William G. W. Curren, Harden Nuckles, and Thomas G. Witten, Trustees, "a certain lot of land in Abbs Valley, Beginning on the line of said Andrew P. Moore and Waddy T. Curren, etc., "for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

1850. D. B. No. 10, p. 149.

William R. Bane and Nancy, his wife, conveyed to Charles F. Tiffany, William R. Bane, Howard Bane, William V. Shannon, Joseph A. Moore, Randolph Holbrook, Zechriah S. Witten, James Reynolds and John Harry, Trustees, a certain lot containing one and a half acres, for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Said lot Beginning at a stake near the turnpike road, thence Northward, 13 poles, ect. Only courses and distances given. We suppose this is the lot on which Ebenezer Church now stands.

1850. D. B. 10, p. 174.

Henry F. Peery and Caroline H. his wife, conveyed to George W. G. Browne, Rawley W. Witten, A. H. Spotts, and Granville Jones, Trustees, a certain lot in the town of Jeffersonville (described) for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. It appears that a Church building was erected on this lot prior to the execution of the deed. This church was located on Main Street in the west end of Jeffersonville.

1851. D. B. 10, p. 306.

Francis Tabor and Mary (Polly), his wife, conveyed to Wm. G. W. Currin, Waddy P. Currin, James Mars, Jr., Moses Belcher, James Tabor, Francis Tabor, Harden Nuckles, Wesley Gibson and Richard Tabor, Trustees, a certain lot on the South side of Valley Ridge, containing two and three quarter acres, for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

1855. D. B. No. 11, p. 448.

William Blankenship conveyed to William Brown, Henry S. Bowen, John G. Taylor, Erastus B. Ward, Thomas Cecil, Meshich



Steele, and Resin R. Steele, Trustees, a certain lot containing three-eighths and four poles. Lots described by metes and bounds, Beginning on a line between Wm. Blankenship and Henry Steele and on the south edge of the turnpike. Said lot is conveyed for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

1855. D. B. 11, p. 501.

A. L. Jones, and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to C. A. Spotts, Elijah McGuire, Joseph C. Brown, Hugh S. Bailey, William Martin, John R. Brown, T. M. Scott, James M. Cecil and A. L. Jones, Trustees, a certain lot containing one and a half acres. Lots described; Beginning on the bank of the turnpike road near C. A. Spotts' and J. M. Cecil's lower line, etc. This is the lot on which Jones' Chapel now stands. Said meeting house to be erected on said lot "Shall be free for the use of all orthodox ministers to preach in when not occupied by the Methodists, provided further that the said meeting house shall not be used for political meetings or discussions, nor for public exhibitions or shows."

1859. D. B. 12, p. 504.

Robert Crockett and Eliza, his wife, conveyed to A. A. Spotts, John C. Hopkins, Henry B. Harman, Francis P. Spotts, John A. Kelly, E. R. Baylor, I. C. Fowler, James P. Kelly and Elias G. W. Harman, Trustees, "for the congregation of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the Town of Jeffersonville." Said lot described as Beginning at the South East corner of the Trans-Alleghaney Bank lot and running along the Main Street fifty (50) feet, thence leaving said street and running a line paralel to the east line of said Bank lot, sixty five feet, thence running paralel in the Main Street to the said Bank lot line being fifty feet by sixty-five feet of the Southwest portion of the lot said Robert Crockett now lives on.

1859. D. B. 12, p. 591.

James Q. Kendrick conveyed to Shadrack Ratcliff, John M. Brown, Thomas Brown, Wm. P. Kendrick, George W. Lockhart, Richard H. Ratcliff and John G. Prater, Trustees, a certain lot containing one acre. Said lot is described as follows: "Beginning at a red oak at the mouth of a small hollow on the turnpike road, (the first hollow on the road east of Wm. P. Kendrick's dwelling house) thence fourteen poles Northwest to a stake, then South ten poles to

the turnpike road and with said turnpike road to the beginning." For the use of the Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. We suppose this is the lot on which Miles' Chapel stands.

1857. D. B. 13, p. 86.

Hervey George conveyed to Wm. O. George, Addison Crockett, Samuel Witten, Francis M. Peery, James W. Morton, James P. Harman and Thomas W. Witten, Trustees, in behalf of the denomination of Christians called Methodist Episcopalian, and more particularly called George's School House, etc. Said lot is near the residence of Wm. O. George, upon which the new church now stands.

1860. D. B. 13, p. 91.

Thomas J. Higginbotham and Nancy, his wife, conveyed to Robert Barnes, E. B. Ward, Z. Belcher, Thomas J. Higginbotham and Henry S. Bowen, Trustees, for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot containing ninety poles. Beginning at a white oak on the bank of the turnpike road, S. 58 W. 22 poles to the middle of said road, thence up the said road N. 27 E.  $16\frac{1}{2}$  poles to the bend of the road near the cattle scales S. 78 E.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  poles to the Beginning.

1860. D. B. 13, p. 164.

Hugh S. Bailey conveyed to Thomas S. Christian, William Altizer and Robert McGlothlin, "Trustees of a meeting house built on the land that said Bailey bought of Alexander Christian." Said lot contains one acre. Beginning at a white oak a corner of Hugh Bailey, on the east line, thence East thirteen poles to a chestnut oak, thence N. W. 13 poles to a poplar, thence 13 poles to a chestnut tree, thence S. 13 poles to the beginning."

1859. D. B. 14, p. 155.

A. A. Spotts and Harriet, his wife, conveyed to J. A. Kelly, J. P. Kelly, F. P. Spotts, J. C. Hopkins, E. R. Bogle, Isaac C. Fowler, H. B. Harman, E. G. W. Harman, and A. A. Spotts, Trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church South, a lot "In the town of Jeffersonville on the back street near the junction of main street and said back Street in the west end of said town."

1871. D. B. No. 14, p. 504.

Isaac M. Dailey and Margaret, his wife, conveyed to I. M. Dailey, A. F. Dailey, W. M. L. Hubble, John Yost, and Wyley W. Yost,



“Trustees of Daileys’ Chapel for the use of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South,” a lot in Baptist Valley on the east end of Isaac M. Dailey’s farm.

1872. D. B. 15, p. 28.

Samuel Laird conveyed to Bird Elswick, J. A. Brown, James P. Brown, Chapman Elswick, F. N. Neikirk, Bazewell Elswick and George W. Brown, Trustees, for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot on the dividing ridge, near the line between the Counties of Tazewell and Buchanan, containing one and a half acres.

1855. D. B. 11, p. 526.

Joseph Stras, Sterling F. Watts, Samuel L. Graham, William P. Cecil, Wade D. Strother, John W. Johnston, F. P. Spotts, Wm. M. Gillespie and Wm. Cox, convey to Isaac N. Naff, Rufus Brittain and Washington Spotts on behalf of the Christians known as the New School Presbyterian Church at Jeffersonville. Said lot described as follows: Being in the N. E. quarter of the Town containing by estimation one-fourth acre and bounded on the South by the back St. of the Town and on the West by the lot, the title of which is in the name of the heirs of Lewis Smith, Deed., and on the N. and E. by the lands lately the property of Joseph and Thomas Harrison.

1859. D. B. 12, p. 473.

Nathaniel Dillion and Jane, his wife, conveyed to Wesley Gibson, Lewis K. Havens, Obadiah Belcher, Trustees, for the Methodist Church, South, a certain lot containing one acre, situate on the dividing ridge upon which the Church is now standing.

1883. D. B. 18, p. 494.

Susanah Wallace conveyed to “The Christian Church, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Missionary Baptist Church a certain lot near Springville, on which a church has been erected. Names of trustees as follows: R. B. Tabor, representing the Christian Church, Daniel Carter, representing the Missionary Baptist Church, and R. P. Harman, representing the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

1889. D. B. 21, p. 474.

J. R. Sparks and Patsy, his wife, and John Lambert and Mary, his wife conveyed to Primitive Baptist and Christian Baptist Church



of Baptist Valley, a certain lot, being a part of the original tract of James Hankins, deceased.

1888. D. B. 23, p. 576.

B. W. Stras and Hattie, his wife, conveyed to the State Mission Board of the Baptist General Association a certain lot in the Town of Jeffersonville.

1889. D. B. 24, p. 571.

Levi Hickman and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to Archibald White and R. J. Brown, Trustees of the Primitive Baptist Church for divine worship and also for a school house, a certain lot at the Forks of Big Creek. (A mile or so North of the Town of Richlands.)

1890. D. B. 25, p. 578.

Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to David Johnson, Alex Neal, James O. Fulton, Charles Cobbs, Beverly Williams, Nelson Holmes and John W. Winston, Trustees of the Colored Baptist Church, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas on the North side of the Railroad, etc.

1891. D. B. 32, p. 43.

Henry May and Rhoda, his wife, conveyed to Charter Mitchell, J. R. Sparks and J. N. Harman, Trustees of the Church of Christ (known as Primitive Baptist) a certain lot on the Dry Fork about one and a fourth miles westward from the Willow Bridge, etc., "other orthodox denominations to use said house when not occupied by said church."

1889. D. B. 32, p. 223.

The Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to George Dodds, L. T. Adkinson and F. H. Baker, Trustees, of the Baptist Church at Pocahontas, lots seventy-two (72) and seventy-three (73), as shown on the plan of said Town, etc.

1892. D. B. 33, p. 432.

J. N. Harman and Bettie, his wife, conveyed to Rees Bandy, George White and Charles Dingus, Trustees of the Missionary (colored) Baptist Church at Tazewell, Virginia, the Northern half of lot No. 17 as shown by the Stras and Fudge Plat of lots which is of record in Deed Book No. 23, p. 169, and being on West Side of Birch Avenue, (also known as Railroad Avenue, etc.

1897. D. B. 41, p. 125.

Elias J. Hale and M. C., his wife, conveyed to Thomas Leese, Julius Coales, and T. P. Wright, Trustees for the Graham Baptist Tabernacle, a certain lot in the Town of Graham, being lot No. 13 as appears on a plat of lots by Elias Hale.

1899. D. B. 44, p. 78.

N. C. Parsons conveyed to Thomas Leece, Julius Cole, and T. P. Wright, Trustees for the Graham Baptist Tabernacle, lots numbers eight, nine and ten, Block A., as shown on the plat of lots of Morton Harman & Co., recorded in the Clerk's Office in Deed Book No. 31, page 408.

1900. D. B. 44, p. 246.

John H. Greever and Lettice C., his wife, conveyed to Dr. James R. Crockett, Adison Cook and Miss Lettie A. Goodman, Trustees of the Baptist Church of Burkes Garden, a certain lot lying on the West side of the turnpike road, etc.

1905. D. B. 56, p. 345.

M. B. Linkous, Martha J. Linkous, E. J. Suthers and T. F. Suthers, her husband, M. M. Stevens and G. B. Stevens to J. W. Coleman, W. S. King and S. W. Garnett, Trustees of Graham Baptist Church, a certain lot therein described.

1906. D. B. 63, p. 206-7.

The Pocahontas Coleries Company conveyed to C. G. Betelle, John L. Belcher and J. M. Newton, Trustees of the Baptist Church of Boissevain, a certain lot containing .011 acres, (Described in a map attached recorded on page 209.)

1883. D. B. 24, p. 421.

Right Rev. J. J. Kain, Bishop of Wheeling, conveyed to George W. Gillespie, George W. Shawver, James W. Baker and James H. Wingo, Trustees, in behalf of the Christian Church at Tazewell Court House, a certain lot and church thereon, situated on the Eastern side of the street running South from the Virginia Hotel etc. (The Tazewell High School Chapel now stands on this lot.

1890. D. B. 30, p. 26.

Benjamin Dickinson and Catherine, his wife, conveyed to Oliver Harper, Augustus Higginbotham, and Reece Higginbotham,

Trustees of the Christian Church (colored) a certain lot on Mud Fork, (fully described). The church building to be used by other Protestant denominations when not occupied by the Christian Church.

1891. D. B. 32, p. 455.

Jessie J. Jennings and Sarah J., his wife, conveyed to Dexter B. Daniel, Robert W. Bowman and John W. Daniel, Trustees of Horsepen Christian Church, a certain lot therein described.

1892. D. B. No. 34, p. 47.

Graham Land and Improvement Company conveyed to C. P. McWane, C. W. McWane, O. A. Metcalf, Trustees of Graham Christian Church of the Town of Graham, lot number two in section sixteen, plan B., recorded in Deed Book No. 29, page 8.

1894. D. B. 37, p. 181.

Elizabeth Cole, William Cole and Rhoda, his wife, conveyed to D. W. Dudley, Patton G. Shrader, Samuel Crockett, B. Frank Riley, R. W. Pruette, Trustees for the Christian Church, a certain lot in Crocketts Cove on Grassy Spur.

1892. D. B. 38, p. 497.

J. N. Harman and Bettie, his wife, conveyed to C. A. Banks, Albert Crockett, and Stuart Crockett, Trustees of the Christian Church, (colored) of the Town of Tazewell, a certain lot lying on west side of Railroad Avenue about half way between the town of Tazewell and the railway station.

1897. D. B. 40, p. 286.

George Harman and Ressie, his wife, conveyed to Jacob Witten, Aaron Cecil and Harvy Baldwin, Trustees of the Christian Church, (colored) a certain lot at Tip Top, Virginia.

1898. D. B. 41, p. 180.

George W. St. Clair and Annie, his wife, conveyed to James W. Baker, H. W. Pobst, L. C. Wingo and R. B. Gillespie, Trustees of the Christian Church at Tazewell. The present Christian church is located on this lot.

1899. D. B. 43, p. 11.

John W. Gillespie and Margaret, his wife, conveyed to William F. Harman, R. B. George, and S. S. F. Harman, Trustees of Cavitts Creek Christian Church, a certain lot at the forks of the road, etc.,



being the lot on which the present church building stands. When the house is not occupied by said congregation it may be used by others.

1901. D. B. 45, p. 254.

Tazewell Court House Improvement Company conveyed to Charles Harman, Samuel Young and Miles Cecil, Trustees of King's Chapel Christian Church, (colored) a certain lot in the Town of Tazewell, being lot No. 10 in section 29, shown on map recorded in Deed Book No. 30, pages 12 and 13.

1902. D. B. 49, p. 37.

Rebecca C. Davis conveyed to W. C. Williams, J. B. Hurt, R. H. Ireson, R. K. Gillespie, R. M. Sparks and John Robinett, Trustees for the Christian and Methodist Church, South, at Pounding Mill, Virginia, a certain lot etc. This is the lot on which the present house of worship now stands.

1902. D. B. 49, p. 239.

M. F. Brown and A. A. Brown, his wife, conveyed to Powell Ellis, Ward Ratliff, and M. C. Osborne, Trustees of the Little Valley Christian Church, a certain lot upon the waters of Tumbling Creek, in Little Valley, etc. The house to be used by other denominations when not occupied by this congregation.

1905. D. B. 58, p. 46.

Thomas Brown and Mary, his wife, conveyed to G. B. Fuller, M. Murry, James Beavers, G. W. Deskins, N. Asberry and Joseph Rose, Trustees, a certain lot between the head waters of Dry Fork and Cavitts Creek adjoining the lands of Julia A. Graham and H. T. May, "To be dedicated to the Lord, in the name of the Second Advent Christian denomination, but the building to be used by other orthodox ministers." "The book of Mormon to be excluded as a text book."

1886. D. B. 41, p. 216.

John W. Beavers and Lucy, his wife, conveyed to Thomas R. Bandy, M. J. Beavers and J. H. Gillespie, Trustees for the Church of Christ, (Disciples) a certain lot on Dicks Creek."

1885. D. B. 20, p. 336.

H. C. Alderson and Mary C. his wife, conveyed to B. W. Stras, R. R. Henry, D. B. Baldwin, George W. Spotts, Thomas G. Witten,

W. E. Peery and A. F. Hargrave, Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Tazewell Court House, a certain lot etc. The Episcopal Church now standing on said lot.

1885. D. B. 21, p. 31.

Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to B. W. Stras, D. B. Baldwin, George Spotts, Edward Peery, William Ingles and John Izzard, Trustees for the benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Parish in the County of Tazewell, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas.

1888. D. B. 24, p. 22.

G. W. Doak and Rose A., his wife, conveyed to R. M. Lawson, C. J. Barnes, C. E. Brown and B. W. Stras, Trustees for the benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Parish in Tazewell County, a certain lot near the Town of Tazewell, adjoining the lands of A. J. May. A chapel was built on this lot which was used for some time but later abandoned.

1885. D. B. 33, p. 301.

Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to B. W. Stras, D. B. Baldwin, George Spotts, Edward Peery, William Ingles and John Izzard, Trustees, for the benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Parish in the County of Tazewell, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas.

1893. D. B. 35, p. 522.

C. A. Fudge and M. G., his wife, conveyed to J. H. Hampton, Wm. H. Goins and W. P. Whitley, Trustees of the Mount Pleasant Church for the use and benefit of the Protestant Church, all that certain lot situate on the ridge between Whitley and Lincolnshire branches, containing one-half acre.

1884. D. B. 19, p. 251.

H. C. Alderson and Mary C., his wife, conveyed to D. B. Baldwin, B. W. Stras, R. R. Henry, George W. Spotts, Thomas G. Witten, W. E. Peery and A. F. Hargrave, Trustees for the Protestant Episcopal Church at Tazewell Court House, a certain lot etc.

1903. D. B. 52, p. 116.

Clinch Valley Coal & Iron Company conveyed to B. W. Stras, John E. Jackson, Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church

for Diocese of Southern Virginia, two certain lots in the town of Richlands.

1906. D. B. 59, p. 110.

J. W. Maxwell conveyed to W. W. Lawson, S. W. Lawson, W. L. Hoops, Rolley Puckett and J. E. Long, Trustees to the house of God, a certain lot at Maxwell's switch.

1881. D. B. 18, p. 107.

James E. Rhudy, Charles T. C. Rhudy and John C. Rhudy, conveyed to Trustees by a new deed confirming or perfecting a previous conveyance to the Lutheran Church in Burkes Garden, with privilege to be used by the Presbyterians and Methodists.

1889. D. B. 28, p. 49.

C. A. Fudge and M. G., his wife, conveyed to M. L. Peery, C. W. Greever and William L. Spracher, Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, a certain lot in the town of North Tazewell. This property now is owned by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

1902. D. B. 49, p. 360.

J. S. Moss and Barbara J., his wife, and J. A. Greever and Sallie B., his wife, conveyed to M. L. Peery, J. S. Moss, J. A. Greever and C. W. Greever, Trustees for the Evangelical Lutheran Church at the Town of Tazewell, a certain lot, (described), being the lot on which the Lutheran Church now stands.

1903. D. B. 51, p. 226.

Juston Young, Pleas Young, Julia F. Sanders and Allen Sanders conveyed to Thomas Peery, L. C. Cole and J. S. Karr, Trustees for the Graham Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Graham.

1872. D. B. 16, p. 72.

Thomas G. Crockett and Nancy, his wife, and Rush F. Crockett, conveyed to Rush F. Crockett, George P. McQuire, David S. Fowler, L. S. Shrader and Henry H. Mars, Trustees, a certain lot on the right of the public road leading from the town of Jeffersonville, for the use of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Said lot is situate in Crocketts' Cove.



1877. D. B. 16, p. 310.

James L. Carroll conveyed to Beverly Warren, George Crockett and David Bell, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America, a certain lot in the West end of Jeffersonville.

1878. D. B. 16, p. 397.

Malcolm McNeil and Mary E., his wife, conveyed to John B. Young, Thomas C. Christian, Ebenezer Bruster, Hugh S. Bailey and Malcolm McNeil, Trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church South, a certain lot, "Beginning at the ford of Indian near Lochart's Chapel, containing one-half acre, running with the Bearwallow road and Indian Creek," etc.

1878. D. B. 16, p. 461.

Robert Steele and Julia A. his wife, conveyed to William C. Cecil, Rush F. Cecil, Robert M. Cecil, Samuel Steele and James H. Gillespie, Trustees for Steele's Chapel of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot containing one hundred poles, etc.

1878. D. B. 16, p. 599.

E. L. Whitley and Fanney A., his wife conveyed to W. P. Whitley, John W. Whitley, Andrew Hounshell, John W. Brown, and H. B. Harman, Trustees of Whitley's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot containing one acre, lying about two miles Northwest of Jeffersonville, etc.

1883. D. B. 19, p. 54.

William Marrs and Louisa, his wife, conveyed to William Marrs, E. G. Brown, John W. Argabright, F. F. Brotherton, C. A. Deaton, J. H. Flummer and Nelson H. McClaugherty, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot near Falls Mills, containing one-fourth of an acre, etc.

1883. D. B. 19, p. 121.

T. M. Bourne and Lucinda M., his wife, Annie Buchanan, Wm. P. Buchanan, Edward A. Buchanan, Stephen Bourne and Lula, his wife, conveyed to Wm. H. Kelly, Thomas M. Bourne, Thomas K. Hall, Felix Bourne, Gabriel Crabtree, Wm. Burton, David G. Yost, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot on the dividing ridge between the waters of Clear Fork and Clinch River, on the East side of the Wytheville turnpike Road, etc.

1886. D. B. 20, p. 504.

Andrew L. Jones and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to M. R. Russell, John Russell, Jacob Jones, Saunders Wilson, J. M. Cochran, John Sword, and Richard Ferrell, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a certain lot near the mouth of Indian Creek, Beginning at the road at J. M. McGuire's corner, etc.

1884. D. B. 21, p. 115.

J. Dickinson Sargent of Philadelphia conveyed to Robert Holly, Lee Bane, and George Preston, Trustees of the Methodist Church of America of the county of Tazewell, a certain lot in the town of Graham, etc.

1886. D. B. 21, p. 125.

Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to George W. Thomas, B. P. Maxey, C. M. Sherestz, Charles H. Witten, P. Y. Veeder, J. B. Saunders and G. B. Stevenson, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas.

1885. D. B. 23, p. 54.

William B. Morton and Margaret, his wife, conveyed to W. E. Bane, R. A. Hale, J. B. Higginbotham, Joseph Davidson, Calvin Harry, and Wm. B. Morton, Trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Graham, Virginia, a certain lot in the Town of Graham on the corner of Morton Street and Water Avenue, etc.

1889. D. B. 24, p. 520.

John M. Thompson and Eliza, his wife, conveyed to John A. Higginbotham, John M. Thompson, and A. J. Steele, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot in the lower end of Thompson Valley, the place where George Bowling resides and adjoining the lands of Alex Dills, etc.

1889. D. B. 25, p. 356.

R. W. Witten conveyed to W. G. Bottimore, John C. St. Clair, W. W. Peery, John Peery and R. W. Witten, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot on Clinch River near "Old Pisgah Church," containing one acre, etc.

1890. D. B. 30, p. 64.

Sallie Steele conveyed to James L. Carroll, J. B. Warren, C. C. Holly and M. Richards, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church

in the United States, a certain lot in the west end of the Town of Jeffersonville on Main Street, adjoining the Church lot conveyed from Samuel L. Carroll to Beverly Warren and others, Trustees, by deed dated June 27, 1887 and recorded in Deed Book No. 16, page 310.

1890. D. B. 32, p. 222.

Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to John A. Brown, Bascomb Sinkford, John Willoughby, Wm. E. Mitchell, Cheshire Froe, Trustees of the Colored Methodist Church of Pocahontas, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas, etc.

1890. D. B. 33, p. 299.

Patton J. Lockhart and Caroline, his wife, conveyed to George C. Bailey, Hugh Tabor, Theodore Arms, Wm. P. Brown and Patton J. Lockhart, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Mount Carmel Church in Baptist Valley, a certain lot on the North side of the public road, etc.

1893. D. B. 36, p. 101.

Clinch Valley Coal & Iron Company, conveyed to H. Wade Steele, James B. Crabtree, James F. Hurt, J. Muncey Ratcliff and A. C. Gardner, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Richlands, two lots numbers nineteen (19) and twenty (20), etc.

1888. D. B. 36, p. 398.

Wm. A. Ward and Jennie Bell, his wife, and Wm. E. Baylor to James M. McGuire, James Peery, P. J. Lochart, Elijah McGuire and J. Marion McGuire, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Cedar Bluff, a certain lot in the Village of Mouth of Indian, etc.

1893. D. B. 36, p. 571.

T. H. Kinser and Mary, his wife, conveyed to James A. Harman, William Jones, M. T. Christian, G. S. Compton and H. M. Kiser, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot on Clear Fork, on South side of said creek containing 2,658 feet, etc.

1894. D. B. 37, p. 263.

J. W. Tabor and Fannie, his wife, conveyed to I. H. Harry, W. C. Tabor, W. W. Saddler, George A. Butt and J. W. Tabor, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Falls Mills, a certain lot near the village of Falls Mills, etc.



1896. D. B. 38, p. 575.

C. A. Fudge and M. G., his wife, conveyed to W. P. Whitley, J. H. Whitley, C. H. Peery, W. I. Hall, H. G. Peery, Jr., C. A. Fudge, John F. Ireson, H. F. Peery and John C. Bailey, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot in the town of North Tazewell in exchange for old "Whitleys Chapel" lot, etc.

1896. D. B. 39, p. 181.

A. St. Clair and Mariah J. his wife, conveyed to Wm. Summers, C. A. Bane, J. B. Shannon, A. P. Tabor, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot on Bluestone upon which stands the Church building known as Ebenezer, etc.

1896. D. B. 39, p. 388.

James Bandy and Sallie, his wife, conveyed to M. M. Hankins, Wm. Bandy, S. F. Allison, Thomas G. Bruster, and Shadrack Creed, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a certain lot containing one acre in west end of Baptist Valley at the forks of the road, etc.

1881. D. B. 40, p. 214.

Jessie J. Harris and Ardelia, his wife, conveyed to John M. Smith, George Harman, and J. J. Harris, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Mud Fork Circuit, a certain lot on Mud Fork on which a church has already been erected.

1899. D. B. 43, p. 84.

Charles W. Butt and Celie V., his wife, conveyed to James Sluss, Sr., J. T. Billips, Edward Tiller, Gus Billips, Sr., Charles Harman and C. D. Butt, Trustees of the Carner's Chapel, M. E. Church, South, a certain lot lying on Mud Fork, etc.

1899. D. B. 43, p. 149.

M. L. Peery, C. W. Greever and Wm. L. Spracher, Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, conveyed to W. P. Whitley, J. H. Whitley, C. H. Peery, W. I. Hall, H. G. Peery, Jr., C. A. Fudge, J. F. Ireson, H. F. Peery and J. C. Bailey, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at North Tazewell, Virginia.

1897. D. B. 48, p. 336.

Wm. A. Davis and W. P. Davis and Julia A., his wife, conveyed to W. A. Davis, Mark T. Lockhart, Bird J. Lockhart, Sparrell Steele, and J. W. Rimmer, Trustees of Davis Chapel of the M. E.

Church, South, at Davis Chapel, a certain lot adjoining the lands of J. F. Prater and others.

1897. D. B. 55, p. 290.

A. J. May and Mary M. May, his wife, conveyed to Bascomb Sinkford, Alexander Trigg, Robert Dickerson, Dennis Hogan and George Harman, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Tip Top, a certain lot situate in the village of Tip Top, being lot No. 12 in Block 2, etc.

1888. D. B. 23, p. 390.

W. E. Bane and Emma G., his wife, conveyed to C. O. McCall, W. E. Bane, Samuel Graham, G. M. Hanson, and A. V. Shell, Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, at Graham, a certain lot in the town of Graham, etc.

1892. D. B. 34, p. 71.

Southwest Virginia Improvement Company conveyed to E. J. Ware, A. L. Hill and W. R. Graham, Trustees of the Presbyterian Church at Pocahontas, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas on the North side of Moore Street, etc.

1899. D. B. 53, p. 571.

Charles W. Butt and Celia V., his wife, conveyed to Jermiah Yates, Robert Buffalow, and George Boswell, "as Trustees of the Rye's Chapel, North of Mud Fork, according to usages of the Churches," a certain lot on Mud Fork on the road that leads from Abbs Valley to Clinch, and South of the Valley Ridge, etc., containing about half an acre.

1902. D. B. 47, p. 496.

J. H. Lester and E. W., his wife, conveyed to John G. Lester, George Lambert, Samuel Ward, and Robert Lester, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Lesters Chapel, a certain lot containing one half acre, situate in Wards Cove being a part of the land now owned and occupied by J. H. Lester.

1902. D. B. 48, p. 551.

D. Green conveyed to D. Green, Jackson Copenhaver, John Green, Balfour White and J. T. Lester, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, at Green's Chapel, formerly Big Spring, a certain lot containing one fourth of an acre on the Fincastle Road about

two miles East of Paint Lick, etc. It is provided that when the Church on this lot is not occupied by the M. E. Church, South, it may be occupied by other denominations.

1902. D. B. 49, p. 37.

Miss Rebecca C. Davis conveyed to W. C. Williams, J. B. Hurt, R. H. Ireson, R. K. Gillespie, R. M. Sparks, and John Robinett, Trustees for the joint and equal use of the M. E. Church, South, and the Christian Church, a certain lot in the Village of Pounding Mill on the North side of the County road as it approaches the Railroad station from the West, etc.

1904. D. B. 53, p. 38.

C. A. Fudge and M. G., his wife, conveyed to John B. Peery, John Watkins, O. B. Thompson, Rees Smith, and Fred Peery, Trustees of the M. E. Church, a certain lot in North Tazewell, Virginia, etc.

1904. D. B. 54, p. 298.

J. T. Dills conveyed to M. E. Church, South, a certain lot on the Divides of Bluestone and Clinch Rivers, containing a half acre for Church purposes.

1896. D. B. 58, p. 207.

James G. Higginbotham and Laura J., his wife, conveyed to H. W. Stowers, R. G. Shufflebarger, M. F. Neel, and James A. Harman, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot lying on Cove Creek near the ford thereof.

1906. D. B. 58, p. 365.

M. F. Wynn and Annie E. Wynn, his wife, conveyed to M. F. Wynn, W. R. Stowers, B. R. Moss, A. L. Davis, T. H. Short, John Fox, R. M. Lawson, George Moss, and John D. Greever, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot in Burkes Garden, adjoining the lands of M. F. Wynn, and John Fox, and the public school lot, etc.

1907. D. B. 60, p. 574.

J. W. Laird and J. R. Laird, executors of S. H. Laird, deceased, conveyed to A. M. Christian, J. W. Christian, G. H. Brown, J. T. Altizer and James B. Altizer, Trustees of "Lairds Chapel" Church of the M. E. Church South, a certain lot, situate on the top of the



Dividing Ridge, between Dismal and Middle Creek, mostly on the Middle Creek side, etc.

1903. D. B. 52, p. 212.

Martha Thompson, Widow of G. O. Thompson, Mary Grace Thompson, Rebecca Elizabeth Thompson, Georgia Alice Thompson and Archibald Thompson, conveyed to Joseph G. Barnes, Samuel J. Thompson, D. W. Lynch and J. E. Buchanan, Trustees of the Thompson Valley Presbyterian Church, the Liberty Hill Presbyterian Church and the Cove Presbyterian Church, a certain lot in Thompson Valley containing three acres and being situate about fifty yards from the store of R. B. Peery & Company.

1914. D. B. 77, p. 146.

Jonas Sparks conveyed to Bethel Church of the Regular Baptist Denomination, a certain lot on Clinch River near Clifffield, containing one half acre.

1914. D. B. 76, p. 350.

Pocahontas Consolidated Collieries Company conveyed to J. G. Groseclose, J. W. Wilson and G. C. Cunningham, Jr., Trustees of the Boissevain M. E. Church, South, etc., a certain lot in the Town of Boissevain.

1910. D. B. 68, p. 522.

Miss Amy Mullin conveyed to G. M. Mullin, J. N. Harman and Thomas E. Tabor, Trustees for the Christian Church, at Christs Chapel, a certain lot at the foot of the Stoney Ridge, near Falls Mills on the waters of Bluestone River, on the county road leading from Falls Mills to Graham, etc.

1907. D. B. 72, p. 16.

George F. Brewster and Patsy, his wife, conveyed to D. W. Dudley, R. W. Pruette and B. F. Riley, Jr., Trustees of the Christian Church at Grassy Spur, a certain lot adjoining said Church lot, containing a half acre, to be used as a grave yard, etc.

1917. D. B. 83, p. 245.

George R. McCall and Exie, his wife, conveyed to L. D. Boyd, J. Sam Gillespie and George R. McCall, Trustees, a certain lot west of and near the Town of Raven, for the use of the M. E. Church, South, the Methodist Church and the Christian Church. The first

story of the building to be used by said denominations and the second story to be used by I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 313, etc. Other denominations to use the house—the trustees in their discretion may permit same to be used by other religious denominations for the purpose of worship.

1908. D. B. 66, p. 318.

Rufus Smith and Poca H. his wife, conveyed to Floyd Houchins, T. C. Hughes, and Rufus Smith, Trustees for "The Church of God," a certain lot on the East side of Big Creek near the Town of Richlands, containing one-fourth of an acre, etc.

1910. D. B. 69, p. 275.

Florence Barnes and Rush Barnes, her husband, conveyed to Sam Young, Charlie Harman and Oscar Hedrick, Trustees of the Colored Christian Church at Tazewell, a certain strip of land adjoining the lot of the said colored Christian Church.

1912. D. B. 72, p. 441.

H. Millner and Mollie, his wife, conveyed to Harry Gross, H. J. Ferrimer and Norman Kwass, Trustees of Congregation Ahovas Chesad, a religious organization of the Town of Pocahontas, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas containing 1750 square feet &c.

1916. D. B. 81, 259.

H. Milner, (widower) conveyed to Norman Kwass, Harry Gross and H. J. Ferrimer, Trustees of Congregation Ahovas Chasad of which I am a member and which is composed of the Jewish people in the Town of Pocahontas, who adhere wholly to the Orthodox Jewish faith and customs, a certain lot in the town of Pocahontas, etc. It is further provided in said deed that this property is not to be used by the "Reformed Jewish Church."

1914. D. B. 79, p. 90.

Edward Foster and Julia, his wife, conveyed to George Douglas, William Myers and J. P. Jordan, Trustees, for the First Colored Baptist Church at Tazewell, two certain lots, etc.

1917. D. B. 83, p. 437.

Pocahontas Fuel Company conveyed to Ben Armstead, R. L. Jackson, J. T. Cheatham, T. W. Green and J. E. Woods, Trustees of the First Baptist Church, colored of Pocahontas, a certain lot, etc.

1917. D. B. 82, p. 528.

James A. C. Harman and Nettie, his wife, conveyed to S. W. Garnett, C. W. Matthews, and W. G. Neese, Trustees for the Graham Baptist Church of Graham, a certain lot in said town, etc.

1914. D. B. 76, p. 481.

V. Alice Buck and John A. Buck conveyed to W. L. Burton, W. P. Hagy and J. F. Dudley, Trustees of Graham Christian Church, a certain lot in the Town of Graham, being lot number 4 in section 24, etc.

1916. D. B. 80, p. 489.

Graham Land & Improvement Company conveyed to the Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, Graham Circuit, lot number four in Section twenty-nine, (29).

1911. D. B. 75, p. 21.

George Harman and Rissa, his wife, and others, conveyed to Isom Witten, Cecil Harman, William Witten, Charles Harman, Sheffie Harman, Oscar Thompson and William Anderson, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States, a certain lot at Tip Top, etc.

1908. D. B. 64, p. 493.

J. R. G. Brown and C. M. Brown, his wife, conveyed to J. R. G. Brown, J. H. Peery, F. J. Brown, R. B. Conley, and J. R. Davidson, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot on the South side of Big Stony Ridge, etc.

1897. D. B. 67, p. 197.

O. M. Brown and Zarilda, his wife, conveyed to Samuel B. Ward, Joseph G. Barnes, Samuel J. Thompson, Henry Bowen and J. O. Brown, Trustees, Southern Presbyterian Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in the "Cove" to be known as the "Cove Church," and being the lot on which the Church building now stands.

1910. D. B. 68, p. 565.

W. P. Hagy and Rhoda V. His wife, conveyed to George A. Reynolds, George P. Crockett and R. F. Alley, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot in West Graham being lot No. 15, in section 6.



1912. D. B. 72, p. 445.

W. P. Payne and T. J. Payne, his wife, conveyed to the Methodist Church, South, a certain lot on Indian Creek at the ford near the old Lochart Chapel, etc.

1915. D. B. 78, p. 469.

Faraday Coal and Coke Company conveyed to S. E. Marrs, A. R. Beavers and T. E. McCall, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot on Dicks Creek and near the mouth thereof.

1911. D. B. 72, p. 123.

Caleb Smith and Martha, his wife, conveyed to Richard White and Henry Smith, Trustees of the Primitive Baptist Church at Mount Olive.

1913. D. B. 75, p. 319.

W. A. Buchanan and Sallie J., his wife, conveyed to Felix Bourne, Sr., Thomas Burton, J. C. Bourne, W. A. Buchanan, and G. S. Gildersleeve, Trustees for the Mount Olivet M. E. Church, South, a certain lot on the Dividing Ridge between the waters of Clinch River and Clear Fork, etc.

1915. D. B. 81, p. 26.

Pocahontas Consolidated Collieries Company, and others, conveyed to G. H. Landon, B. W. Stras, S. N. Huffard and T. N. Williamson, Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Tazewell County, a certain lot in the town of Pocahontas, etc.

1915. D. B. 81, p. 384.

Pocahontas Consolidated Collieries Company, and others, conveyed to G. H. Landen, B. W. Stras, S. N. Huffard and T. N. Williamson, Trustees, Protestant Episcopal Church, a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas, etc.

1908. D. B. 65, p. 335.

M. C. McCorkle and Rhoda, his wife, George W. Gillespie and Barbara, his wife, and J. N. Harman and Bettie, his wife, conveyed to W. P. Farmer, M. M. Hankins, and C. N. Donnahue, Trustees of Richlands Christian Church, a certain lot in the Town of Richlands, etc. The Trustees in their discretion are authorized to permit other ministers and congregations of other religious denominations to use the building for Divine worship when not occupied by said Christian Church, etc.

1908. D. B. 64, p. 99.

Graham Land and Improvement Company conveyed to Thomas Williamson, Robert Williamson, and Samuel N. Hufford, Trustees for the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Graham, two certain lots in the Town of Graham, designated as lots numbers 13 and 14, etc.

1910. D. B. 68, p. 232.

Same Grantor to same Grantees as above, conveyed lot number 48 in section 34, etc. Also a conveyance from Samuel Walton and Margaret C., his wife, and Jennie Y. Watson, to said Trustees, lot No. 47, section 34, etc.

1911. D. B. 70, p. 301.

B. R. Butt and Maggie A., his wife, to T. N. Williamson, R. B. Williamson and S. N. Hufford, Trustees of Saint Paul's Mission of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, a certain lot at Yards, etc.

1912. D. B. 72, p. 186.

Trustees of Baptist State Mission Board conveyed to C. H. Reynolds, W. N. Surface and N. W. Kiser, Trustees of Tazewell Baptist Church, the lot in the town of Tazewell on which the Baptist Church now stands.

1909. D. B. 66, p. 19.

T. R. Smoot and Kate, his wife, conveyed to S. A. Witten, Robert Tarter, Frank Pyott, C. C. Brown and James McDowell, Trustees of the Tip Top Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a certain lot in the village of Tip Top.

1912. D. B. 73, p. 267.

H. P. Linkous and Mary J., his wife, conveyed to J. R. Linkous, J. B. Hankins and B. O'Quinn, Committee, a certain lot on Dry Fork, the lower story of the house erected thereon to be used by the people as a Union Church and the upper story as a Hall for the I. O. O. F. and Rebecca Star, etc.

1918. D. B. 85, p. 76.

G. W. Mays and Sarah E., his wife, J. W. Gentry and Bettie, his wife, conveyed to R. L. Jackson, Ben M. Armstead, John Cheat-ham, Thomas W. Green and James Woods, Trustees of the First

Baptist Church, colored, of Pocahontas, a certain lot situate in said Town.

1918. D. B. 85, p. 159.

E. E. Hale and Mary E., his wife, conveyed to W. M. Painter, W. L. Burton and J. F. Dudley, Trustees of Graham Christian Church, a certain lot in the Town of Graham, designated as lot 3 in section 24, etc.

1915. D. B. 86, p. 48.

H. Y. Brown and Mary, his wife, and J. O. Brown, and Nannie E., his wife, conveyed to W. J. Gillespie, J. O. Brown, Henry Copenhagen, S. J. Thompson, J. G. Barnes George Ward and C. O. Barnes, Trustees for the Presbyterian Church, and M. E. Church, South, a certain lot in Wards Cove. The house to be erected thereon to be used by other denominations also.

1918. D. B. 86, p. 183.

J. R. Swartz and N. P. Miller of Rockingham County, Virginia, conveyed to J. C. Lambert, W. J. Hinkle and J. M. J. Tilley, Trustees of the Holiness Pentecostal people, known as the Assembly of the Church of God of Laurel Creek, Tazewell County, a certain lot lying and being at the Mouth of Laurel Creek, a tributary of Indian Creek.

1919. D. B. 86, p. 312.

John A. Mathena and F. J., his wife, conveyed to J. A. Mathena, J. R. Puckett, W. H. Harman, and Mrs. Johnny Michen, Trustees for the Church of God, a certain lot on the waters of Mud Fork, etc.

1913. D. B. 86, p. 369.

Graham Land and Improvement Company conveyed to C. H. Green, J. C. Holley, C. L. Roberson, H. C. Brown and S. L. Trigg, Trustees for the M. E. Church, in the United States of America, a certain lot in the Town of Graham, designated as lot number 15, in section 36, etc.

1919. D. B. 86, p. 483.

W. B. Steele and Corrie, his wife, conveyed to C. H. Trayer, W. B. Greear, Charles McGuire, James McGuire, and Henry Phillips, Trustees of the Hebron Methodist Church, South, a certain lot on Pounding Mill Branch, and road, about three or four miles southeast of Pounding Mill Depot.



1920. D. B. 88, p. 60.

R. E. Baldwin and Lucy L., his wife, conveyed to G. B. Stevens, C. W. Matthews, and J. D. Whitescarver, Trustees of Graham Baptist Church, a certain lot in the Town of Graham and designated as Lot 11 in section 44.

1920. D. B. 88, p. 66.

Wm. M. Gillespie and Mary G., his wife, conveyed to E. K. Crockett, Gratt M. Bowen, T. M. Greear, J. H. Wilson and S. A. Witten, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, at Wittens Mills, a certain lot at Wittens Mills on which is situated May's Chapel.

1920. D. B. 88, p. 151.

G. W. Rimmer and Ella, his wife, conveyed to J. L. Goss, John L. Lamie, W. J. Blankenship, W. A. Montgomery, W. H. Wright, and Vernie Hernandon, Trustees of the Church of God, a certain lot in the Town of Richlands.

1920. D. B. 88, p. 432.

J. P. Cameron and Olivia, his wife, conveyed to George P. Crockett, Lee J. Barbee, J. E. Baylor, G. M. Bayley and G. A. Reynolds, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, a certain lot in the Town of Graham.

1920. D. B. 88, p. 433.

James A. C. Harman and Nettie E., his wife, conveyed to George P. Crockett and other trustees above mentioned, a certain lot in the Town of Graham.

1920. D. B. 90, p. 41.

B. D. Humphrey and Minnie, his wife, conveyed to James J. Fields, Reece Cordle and Mrs. Kate McDilda, Trustees of the Church of God, at Cedar Bluff, a certain lot in the "College Hill" Annex, designated as Lot No. 74, etc.

1921. D. B. 90, p. 219.

Pocahontas Fuel Company conveyed to E. J. Ellett, B. B. Scott and T. B. Breniger, Trustees of the Baptist Church at Pocahontas, a certain lot in Pocahontas, or rather an addition or confirmation of a previous conveyance to the said Church trustees, etc.

1921. D. B. 92, p. 10.

Wm. S. Taylor, George W. Taylor and Mattie, his wife, conveyed to Albert S. Caldwell, James M. Osborn and Robert L. Ellis, Trustees of the Church of Christ, (Christian Church) a certain lot on top of the Spur West of Matneys Branch in Poor Valley, etc.

1922. D. B. 92, p. 499.

Richlands Civic Betterment League Incorporated, conveyed to Trustees of the Funds of the Protestant Episcopal Church, ten lots in the Town of Richlands.

1921. D. B. 93, p. 4.

W. M. Hardy and Orie Hardy, his wife, conveyed to C. R. Havens, W. M. Leathco, and C. E. Goodwin, Trustees of the Church of God at Boissevain, a certain lot near the Town of Boissevain.

1922. D. B. 93, p. 46.

H. P. Brittian, W. T. Gillespie and S. L., his wife, conveyed to C. W. Matthews, G. B. Stevenson and John D. Whitescarver, Trustees of the Graham Baptist Church, a certain lot in the Town of Graham, being lot No. 19 in section 2.

1921. D. B. 93, p. 82.

Graham Land and Improvement Company, conveyed to S. M. Graham, V. L. Sexton, H. C. Calaway, E. G. White, and V. T. Strickler, Trustees of the Graham Presbyterian Church, a certain lot in the Town of Graham.

1922. D. B. 93, p. 112.

W. E. Hilt and Mattie T., his wife, conveyed to W. E. Taylor, W. A. Hilt, J. P. Holmes and George French, Trustees of Crabtrees Chapel Methodist Church, South, a certain lot in Poor Valley, etc.

1922. D. B. 93, p. 135.

M. J. Alexander and M. P., his wife, and L. J. Stump, conveyed to J. W. Owens, D. D. Baker, G. W. Rogers, George W. Gillespie, Jr., and J. W. Jones, Trustees of the Pocahontas Church of Christ (Christian Church) a certain lot in the Town of Pocahontas.

1922. D. B. 93, p. 259.

G. B. Stevens and Mollie M., his wife, conveyed to C. W. Matthews, G. B. Stevens, and John D. Whitescarver, Trustees of the Graham Baptist Church, a certain lot in the Town of Graham.

1921. D. B. 93, p. 582.

Raven Red Ash Coal Company conveyed to B. H. Hilton, Charles Green, and Walker Deel, Trustees of the Assembly of God Church at Red Ash, on Coal Creek, a certain lot to be "used solely for public religious worship by said denomination only." The trustees however in their discretion may permit the use of any building erected on said lot, by other religious denominations, etc.

Church Deeds are here listed covering the period from 1800 to 1922, that those who may write historical sketches of their denomination for vol. two of these ANNALS may have the complete record of all deeds to date.



# PART II.

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## HISTORY

OF THE

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WITH

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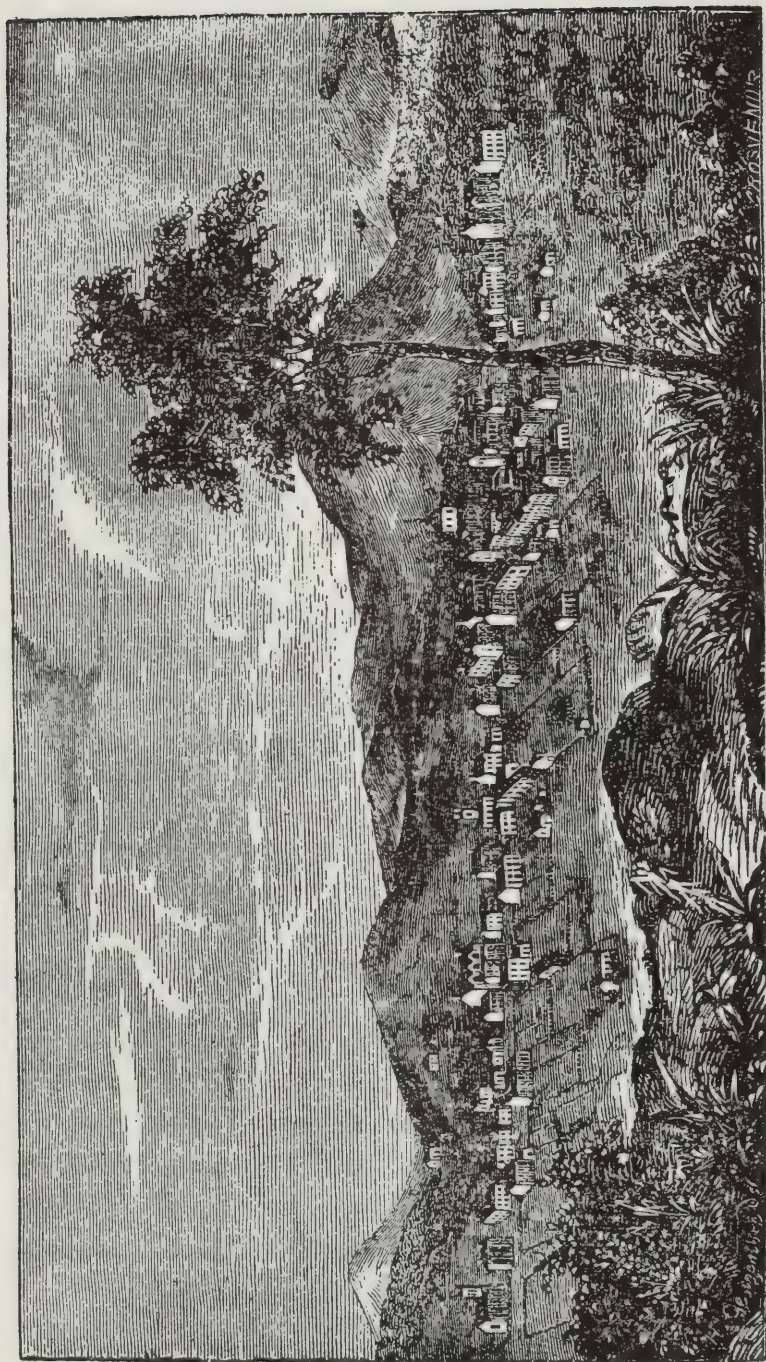
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JEFFERSONVILLE (Now Tazewell).

## CHAPTER I.

### INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORY OF TAZEWELL.

The local nature of this work precludes the necessity of entering into a lengthy introduction, yet a few remarks seem to be essential, to make the reader somewhat acquainted with the nature of the subject before him.

For many years, the county of Tazewell has enjoyed a very high reputation in Virginia and the surrounding states. Located in what was not many years ago the wilds of Virginia, immediately in the line of the great Indian road from the Ohio to the western settlements, we might reasonably calculate that many daring deeds and bloody massacres took place within its borders. And such seems to have been the case, for, perhaps none of the western counties afford such a number of either, as Tazewell.

The lands of the county are open and inviting to the emigrant, and it is essential only, that he should have a correct knowledge of the county, its history and its resources, to convince him that he will nowhere find a more desirable country than this. The people of the county themselves, need a spur to urge them on to greater exertion. The rapid growth of the county and its wealth show that it will compare with any in the state. To those who would spend a summer in the mountains, a more pleasant retreat from the cares and turmoils of business, could not be found. To the valetudinarian, the pure air, the fine scenery, the mineral water, the good society, all are inviting. To the capitalist the county opens a wide field of operations. Occupying a central position in the south-west, it may be looked upon as an average specimen of the surrounding country. The county has thus far made but small figure; the south-west has been overlooked; to advocate the claims of the latter and to perpetuate the history of the former, as well as to set the car of improvement in motion, is one of the objects of this work. The day is not far distant when Tazewell will be an important county; a slight glance at the maps of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina will be sufficient to convince the most superficial, that in the course of things, a new state, at no very distant day, must be hewed out of the corners of the above states. If we but look at the staple productions, the character of the soil, the distance of market, the sameness of facilities, the climate and character of the population, the distance from the seats of government, and the oneness of interest, we cannot fail to see that the formation of a new state would redound to the interest of the people of the specified district.

It may be said that this new state would be cut off from any navigable stream as much as Switzerland in Europe. But, when we consider, in this age of "velocity," navigable streams have, and are daily becoming subservient to the speed and utility of the metal horse, whose dreadful stamp and wild scream is spreading life and energy in the veins of the honest yeomanry of the land, we shall all agree that his objection would not be valid.



I would ask, what advantages are now accruing to the people of the specified section from navigable streams? Do they not roll back upon us, daily, a tide of losses, by bringing us in competition with those who have their every advantage? Have the people of south-western Virginia, eastern Kentucky and Tennessee, and north-western North Carolina, ever been on a footing with others of their respective states?

Will their respective legislatures vote money to carry on internal improvements in these remote corners, so as to bring them on a footing with their more favored statesmen? Have they enabled them to sell their corn, wheat, tobacco and stock on as good terms as those nearer market? Have the states named, tried to put the "corner men" within thirty miles of market, as they might? No, we must travel thirty days with our stock, grain, etc., to market, which, when there, nets little more than half that received by our more favored brethren.

No country can equal ours, and why be poorer than the poorest? Let us urge upon our respective states the importance of placing us on an equal footing with others, or ask leave to help ourselves, by making us a separate and distant commonwealth. Let us do this, and show the world that here is the garden-spot.

Too little has been said, by writers of Virginia history, upon south-western Virginia. Several works have been written purporting to be histories of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and North Carolina, and all neglect their mountainous sections. The last works I have seen upon Virginia, are those of Howe and De Hass. Neither of these, do that justice to the south-west, which it so justly merits. The character of Mr. Howe's work precluded the possibility of saying much of any section. But, De Hass's work purports to be a **History of the Settlement and Indian Wars of Western Virginia.** If he had called it a history of the settlement and Indian wars of **North-western** Virginia, he would certainly have been quite as near the thing. It is most undoubtedly a history of north-western Virginia, and as such is an honor to its author.

To write a history of Virginia which should do justice to every section, would be a task greater than could be performed by any one man; for, to use the words of one well versed in Virginia history "the half will never be told."

Local history is rather a new feature in literature, and must be written for the people of its locality. I write the history of a county and for the people of that county. After the history of every county shall be written, a condensed work of the whole will be called a History of the South-west.



## CHAPTER II.

### DISCOVERY AND SETTLEMENT.

1766.| It has been with much difficulty that I have been able to collect anything of importance, relating to this section, at the date indicated in the margin. Perhaps there is really little to record. What little I have gleaned from the obscured pages of the book of the past, has now become little more than mere tradition. For, situated as I am, in an isolated region, the advantages of a public library are denied me, and from a large private library little is to be found, throwing any light on this uncertain part of my work. The information here embodied, was received from the grandsons, sons, and even from the men themselves who were the principal actors in the drama to be recorded. Memory cannot survive the decay of the physical system, unimpaired; and hence, caution is necessary, in recording an event told us, even by the chief actors therein. With this fact before me, I have placed more reliance on an incident related to me by a son of a pioneer, than if related by the pioneer himself.

Whether the discoverers were allured to this section, by the exaggerated tale of some friendly Indians; the hope of finding some valuable mineral, with which to enrich themselves; or to find a region more abundantly stocked with game, from the peltry of which they would derive a profit, cannot now be easily determined. It is most likely that the latter supposition is the true cause; for, it is certain, that at the date indicated, hunting was considered a manly exercise, and one of which Virginians have ever been fond. They would brave every danger to enjoy the sport. Amusement was here combined with labor and profit; and hence, the hardy backwoodsman of Augusta frequently left home and all its endearments, and took upon himself the toil and fatigue, as well as the pleasures, of a trapper's life. The "trapper life" here led, differed, in many respects, from that followed by the north-western trapper, or **courceurs de bois**, who married among the Indians, assumed their dress, and remained out on an expedition, one, two, and even three or four years; while the backwoodsman returned regularly to his family, at the end of a few months, perhaps poorer, but equally as happy as the **courceurs de bois** or rangers of the wood.

The hunters usually went to the mountains in companies of eight or ten, having pack-horses, with which they brought home their peltry. The equipment, for a trip of this kind, consisted of a rifle, powder, ball, a hatchet or tomahawk, knife, and blanket. They also carried salt and provisions enough to last them two days or beyond the settlement, from which time the forest yielded a plentiful supply. Tobacco, and a clean shirt a-piece, generally made up the remainder of their stores, which was to serve them for months in the western wilds. Their dress was usually of heavy woolen, and the manufacture of their wives and daughters. The suit worn off had to last till their return; for, except the spare shirt, they carried but one suit.

Heavy buckskin moccasins and leggins were usually worn, with a hunting shirt, and a cap made of beaver or otter-skin. The hatchet was worn in a belt around the body, while hunting-knife was lodged in a sheath fastened to the strap of the shot-pouch. I know of no more formidable personage than a backwoodsman in full dress; especially if you reflect upon the precision with which he deals the missiles of death, from his long black rifle, and his great power to endure the fatigue and hardships incident to a hunter's life.

Once upon the route, thus equipped and prepared, none were so happy or so free from the cares and vexations of civic life, as the Augusta backwoodsman, to whose homes even Washington, in after years, expected to be compelled to fly, to nourish and defend the last faint spark of republican liberty.

Pasturage for thier horses was to be found everywhere; and, game in such abundance, that plenty of good cheer were their companions from the time they left their homes, till their return. After having reached the game region, and were seated around the camp-fire, at night, their thoughts might revert from the incidents of the day and the anticipation of the morrow's scenes, and kindly hover over those left behind; but, if so, such thoughts invariably brought forth the soliloquizing ejaculation, **"Well now, if I had the old woman and babies here I should be fixed!"**

It will be recollected that, previous to this time, the French had mingled with the Indians, and given countenance to their acts, till the close of the war between France and England, in February, 1763. This peace did not, however, terminate the Indian war against the colonies. They were displeased with the provisions of the treaty, and commenced a war of merciless extermination against the western frontier settlements, which was waged till December, 1764, when it was brought to a close by what is usually known as Johnston's treaty.

The Shawanoes, who lived on the Wabash, Scioto, and Ohio rivers, soon after the completion of Johnston's treaty, became engaged in a war with the Cherokees, who lived in the upper parts of Alabama, Georgia, and the western part of North Carolina, and continued it till 1768, when the southern Indians, who were being pressed by the Shawanoes and Delawares, sued for, and obtained a peace, which restored quiet to the frontiers, till April, 1774.

The reader will bear in mind that this war, between the Shawanoes and Cherokees, was waging at the time of which we are writing (1776), and that the country, of which Tazewell now forms a part, lay between the contending nations, so that the hunter was in danger of falling into the hands of the predatory bands of either tribe. There was, however, little danger, for each nation was anxious to secure the sympathy of the whites. A few loads of powder were sufficient to have ransomed a man. But it appears that no company was molested, who were hunting within the present limits of Tazewell.

The first of these hunting companies visited this part of the Clinch valley in 1766; of their acts nothing is known. In the following year another



company came out, in which were two men, named Butler and Carr. They were, also, in the first company.

1767]. When this second company was ready to start back, Butler and Carr concluded to stay and wait the arrival of a company expected out that fall. They built a small cabin, at a place now known as the Crab orchard, about three miles west of the present seat of justice. During the spring they opened a small field, and planted some corn, which they received from a band of Cherokees. In the fall, the expected company of hunters arrived, and were joined by Butler and Carr, who had, by this time, acquired a correct knowledge of the geographical features of the country. They hunted till spring, leaving Butler and Carr to spend another summer in the mountains. Having received, from the last company, a supply of ammunition, etc., they became settled in their resolution to make the wild backwoods their home, and, accordingly, began to improve around their camp, and open lands, on which to raise bread.

1768.] Early in the summer, about two hundred Cherokee warriors camped near them, to spend the summer and kill elk, which frequented a lick near, and on the present plantation of, Mr. Thomas Witten. These were, however, soon disturbed by the appearance of several hundred Shawanoes; men and women. The Shawanoes and Cherokees had long been deadly enemies, and it was not to be supposed that they could camp near each other, and hunt at the same lick, without a battle.

The Shawanoes, as a people, are overbearing: and they were not long in exhibiting this feature of their character. The Shawanoe chief sent a peremptory order to the Cherokees, to evacuate their position and seek a new hunting-ground. This was early in the day. The messenger was sent back to defy the Shawanoes, who soon began to prepare for battle.

The Cherokees retired to the top of Rich mountain and threw up a breastwork, which was finished before night. It consisted of a simple embankment, about three or four feet high, running east and west along the top of the mountain about eighty yards, and then turning off at right angles to the north or down the mountain side. The Shawanoes commenced the ascent of the mountain before night of the first day, but finding their enemies so strongly fortified, withdrew and posted themselves in a position to commence the attack early the following morning.

Long before day the fiendish yells of the warriors might be heard echoing over the rugged cliffs and deep valleys of the surrounding country. Day came, and for the space of half an hour, a deathlike stillness reigned on the mountain top and side. With the first rays of the rising sun, a shout ascended the skies as if all the wild animals in the woods had broke forth in their most terrifying notes. The sharp crack of rifles and the ringing of tomahawks against each other; the screams of women and children and the groans of the dying now filled the air for miles around.

Both parties were well armed and the contest nearly equal. The Shawanoes having most men, while the Cherokees had the advantage of their breastwork. Through the long day the battle raged with unabated vigor, and when night closed in, both parties built fires and camped on the ground. During the night the Cherokees sent to Butler and Carr for powder and lead,



which they furnished. When the sun rose the following morning the battle was renewed with the same spirit in which it had been fought the previous day. In a few hours, however, the Shawanoes were compelled to retire. The loss on both sides was great, considering the numbers engaged. A large pit was opened and a common grave received those who had fallen in this last battle fought between red men in this section. Both parties left Virginia for their homes in the south and west, leaving Butler and Carr in possession of the Elk lick, which was the cause of dispute. My informant had this account from Carr, an eye-witness. the battle-ground, breastwork, and great grave are yet to be seen.

1769.] Carr separated from Butler and settled on a beautiful spot on one of the head branches of the Clinch river, two miles east of the present town of Jeffersonville. Peace being restored among the Indians, more hunters came out, who returned laden with peltries and giving such glowing descriptions of the country (which still perhaps failed to come up to its true description) that the desire to emigrate began to exhibit itself among the substantial men of worth.

1771.] In the spring of this year Thomas Witten and John Greenup moved out and settled at the Crab orchard, which Witten purchased of Butler. Absalom Looney settled in a beautiful valley now known as Abb's valley. Matthias Harman, and his brothers Jacob and Henry settled at Carr's place. John Craven settled in the Cove (see Map), Joseph Martin, John Henry, and James King settled in the Thompson valley, and John Bradshaw in the valley two miles west of Jeffersonville. The settlers, this year, found but little annoyance from the Indians, who were living peaceably at their homes in the west and south. The consequence was the settlers erected substantial houses and opened lands to put in corn, from which they reaped a plentiful supply, in the fall.

1772.] The following persons moved out, this year, and settled at the several places named. Capt. James Moore and John Pogue, in Abb's valley; William Wynn, at the Locust hill (the place that Carr settled), which he purchased from Harman. John Taylor, on the north fork of Clinch, and Jesse Evans, near him. Thomas Maxwell, Benjamin Joslin, James Ogleton, Peter and Jacob Harman, and Samuel Ferguson, on Bluestone creek. William Butler,\* on the south branch of the north fork of Clinch, a short distance above Wynn's plantation; William Webb, about three miles east of Jeffersonville; Elisha Clary, near Butler; John Ridgel, on the clear fork of Wolf creek; Rees Bowen, at Maiden spring; David Ward, in the Cove, and William Garrison, at the foot of Morris's knob.

1773.] Thomas, John, and William Peery, settled where the town of Jeffersonville now stands; John Peery, jr., at the fork of Clinch, one mile and a half east of the county seat; Capt. Maffit, and Benjamin Thomas, settled about a mile above, and Chrisly Hensley, near them. Samuel Marrs settled in Thompson's valley; Thomas English, in Burk's garden (see description and remarks); James and Charles Scaggs, Richard Pemberton, and Johnson, settled in Baptist valley, five miles from where Jeffersonville

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\* Perhaps the same from whom Thomas Whitten purchased the Crab orchard, and the first settler.

now stands. Thomas Maston, William Patterson, and John Deskins, settled in the same valley, but farther west—Hines, Richard Oney, and Obadiah Paine, settled in Deskins valley, in the western part of the county.

1774-76.] The settlers who came in during the years of '74-5 and '6, generally pitched their tents near the one or other of the localities already mentioned. Even yet there is a preference manifested for the older settlements. This may be accounted for, from the fact that the first settlers generally chose the most desirable localities; the lands being now better improved, and society more advanced, still render these places more attractive than other parts of the county settled at a later period.

Cresop's war, as it is sometimes, though perhaps erroneously, called, broke out in 1774, which drove the settlers into neighborhoods where they might have the advantages of blockhouses, forts, and stations. The Revolution was soon resolved upon, and the frontiersmen, having to combat the Indians, who had become allies to the British, were much from home. This tended, also, to draw still closer the families then settled in the county. Whatever contributed to the safety of one, conferred a like boon upon the rest. In speaking of the Indian wars, we shall see the utility of general rendezvous for families.

Our market at this time was in eastern Virginia, or the old settlements, and by the continued passage of the traders, a line of communication was kept open, over which was transmitted, with some dispatch, news of what was transpiring in the east. Even before the battle of Lexington, the subject of revolution had been talked over by the frontiersmen, and we shall see, hereafter, how they conducted themselves during the war. After the declaration of war, emigration slackened, though a few, who either sympathized with the mother country, or felt no interest in the contest, moved out. Having now given such an outline of the settlement as will enable the reader to know the position in which the people were placed, during the first few years of the settlement, I shall proceed to a period somewhat later, that he may have an idea of the formation and outline geography of the county.



## CHAPTER III.

### FORMATION AND OUTLINE GEOGRAPHY.

By an act, passed December 19th, 1799, the county of Tazewell was formed of parts of Wythe and Russell. The following are the boundary lines: "Beginning on the Kanawha line, and running with the line which divides Montgomery and Wythe counties, to where said line crosses the top of the Brushy mountain; thence along the top of the said mountain to its junction with Garden mountain; thence along the top of the said mountain to the Church (perhaps Clinch) mountain; thence along the top of said mountain to the top of Cove creek, a branch of the Maiden-spring fork of Clinch river; thence a straight line to Mann's gap, in Kent's ridge; thence north 45° west, to the line which divides the state of Kentucky from that of Virginia; thence along said line to the Kanawah line, and with said line to the place of beginning."\*

By an act of the Virginia legislature, passed February 3d, 1835, the line which had hitherto divided Russell and Tazewell counties was altered from Mann's gap, in Kent's ridge, so as to run north 45°, 45' west, to the distance of 974 poles, which portion was afterward ceded to Tazewell. An act of the General Assembly, passed February 4th, 1828, altered the eastern boundary line, in consequence of the formation of the county of Giles; and, again, in 1837, in consequence of the formation of the county of Mercer; which, however, owing to an omission in the act of Assembly, was not defined till April, 1848.

The subjoined Map exhibits the lines as they now stand; which owing to a want of facilities, is not offered as being in every respect correct, but near enough to convey a good general idea of the shape and geographical features of the county.

Tazewell county was named, not in honor of Littleton W. Tazewell, as is generally supposed, but received its name somewhat in the following manner. Simon Cotterel, who was the representative from Russell in 1799, having been authorized to apply for the formation of a new county, drew up a bill, and proposed it on the 18th of December, 1799, but met with the most violent opposition from Mr. Tazewell, a member from Norfolk county, and a relative of L. W. Tazewell then in Congress. Cotterel rose in his seat, and begged the gentleman to withhold his remarks till his bill was matured, to which he assented. Cotterel erased the proposed name and inserted that of Tazewell, and the next day (19th), presented his bill thus amended. Tazewell was silenced; the bill passed, receiving Tazewell's vote. To this stratagem the county is indebted for its name.

The county is bounded on the north by the State of Kentucky, Logan and Wyoming counties, Virginia; on the east by Mercer and Giles; on the south by Wythe and Smyth, and on the west by Russell. It has a super-

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\* Virginia Statutes, from 1792 to 1806 ; Vol. II, chap. 27, sec. 1, page 217.



ficial area of about 1,920,000 square acres, or 3000 square miles, and is traversed by numerous ranges of the Alleghany and Cumberland mountains. Clinch, one of the principal mountains, passes through it in an easterly and westerly direction, about forty miles. This mountain was named, as will be seen in the chapter on mountains, in consequence of the Clinch river. Rich mountain passes through the county about twenty miles; it is a branch of the Clinch. Garden and Brushy mountains are in the southern part of the county, the latter being the county line; they run parallel with Clinch mountain. Paint Lick and Deskin's mountains are also parallel and north of the Rich mountain. They are parts of the same range with East river and Elk-horn, being separated by the Clinch river, in the valley in which stands the town of Jeffersonville. There are no other mountains deserving of notice, at this place, except the Great Flat Top, in the north-east corner of the county.

The county is traversed by many streams; some of considerable size; the principal of which are Clinch river, Bluestone, La Visee, Dry, and Tug forks of Sandy river and their branches. The Clinch river rises from three springs; the first on the "divides," about ten miles east of the town of Jeffersonville; the second in the valley between Elk-horn and Rich mountains; the third in Thompson's valley, about eight miles south-east of the county seat. The two first unite about one and a half miles east of Jeffersonville, and flow, in a westerly direction, about twenty-five miles, and unite with the Maiden-spring fork, and thence flow through Russell, Scott, Lee, and a part of Tennessee, and, after receiving the Powell river, empty into the Tennessee about sixty miles above Kingston.

Bluestone creek rises in the eastern part of the county; flows in a north easterly direction, and empties into the Great Kanawha. The different branches (see Map) of the Sandy river, rising in this county, flow in a northerly direction and empty into the Ohio. The county is well watered. The climate and soil are treated of, in other places, under appropriate heads (which see); as also, the manners, customs, etc. Jeffersonville is the county seat.

## CHAPTER IV.

### CLIMATE.

#### WINTER IN TAZEWELL.

Owing to its elevation, the climate, in winter, is more severe than in the surrounding counties. Snow appears generally before the commencement of the first winter month. The inhabitants, at this season, are much exposed in feeding and caring for their stock. Ice is seldom seen over six inches thick, and attains that thickness only a few times in the course of the winter. Less snow falls than would be supposed, from the latitude and elevation of the country. It lies but a short time, and is generally succeeded by rain, which is plentiful at this season. The water-courses are usually high during the winter, though seldom impassable, except for a short time immediately after long rainy spells. The reflection of light from the mountains, when covered with snow, renders a sunny day remarkably light: and to this circumstance is owing the absence of that gloomy appearance so often seen in level countries during the winter; except indeed, when snow is falling, at which time the mountains are obscured and a death-like shadow is cast over everything. During the winter season the country presents a business air to be seen at few other seasons of the year. This is owing to the return of the drovers, who supply the people with the almighty dollar, the influence of which is felt everywhere. Its plentiful presence seems to instil life, energy, and action into those ordinarily lethargic and idle. Contracts, based upon the credit system, are now discharged and pledged faith redeemed.

During the middle of winter comes Christmas, with all its joys and pleasures. It is here celebrated as in England four hundred years ago. The young people commence the dance, which is kept up for several weeks. The figures are mostly the variety of reels. The violin, triangle, and tambourine, constitute the band.

Dancing is an amusement greatly loved by the people of Tazewell and in which they excel. The intimacy and good cheer existing at these gatherings (in which even the older people sometimes participate), will doubtless account for the general good feeling which exists among the people of the county, and which is proverbial.

The new year steals in amid all their hilarity, and is welcomed with hearty good-will. The end of winter puts a stop to all these amusements, and the people return to the plow, the loom, and the anvil.

#### SPRING.

Spring, which succeeds the cold and amusements, is the most beautiful season imaginable. At the earliest dawn of spring, the sap begins to flow



in the sugar-maple (*Acer saccharinum*), and then begins the process of sugar-making. This is effected by boring auger holes in the body of the tree, and introducing part of an alder stalk, or something of the kind, to serve as a conductor for the sap, which falls in a trough, and is conveyed in pails thence to the kettles, where it is boiled into sugar. The water is evaporated while the saccharine principle remains. It is a dark, compact sugar, which might be improved by slightly altering the mode of manufacture.

The following remarks are taken from a work published by the American Tract Society: "The sugar maple is a beautiful tree, reaching the height of seventy or eighty feet, the body straight, for a long distance free from limbs, and three or four feet in diameter at the base. It grows in colder climates, between latitudes 42 and 48, and on the Alleghanies to their



THE SUGAR CAMP.

southern termination, extending westward beyond lake Superior. The wood is nearly equal to hickory, for fuel, and is used for building, for ships, and various manufactures. When tapped, as the winter gives place to spring, a tree, in a few weeks, will produce five or six pailsful of sap, which is sweet and pleasant as a drink, and when boiled down will make about half as many pounds of sugar. The manufacturer, selecting a spot central among his trees, erects a temporary shelter, suspends his kettles over a smart fire, and at the close of a day or two will have fifty or a hundred pounds of sugar, which is equal to the common west India sugar, and when refined equals the finest in flavor and beauty.

"When the sap has been boiled to a sirup and is turning to molasses, then to candy, and then graining into sugar, its flavor is delightful, especially when the candy is cooled on the snow. On this occasion the manufacturer expects his wife, children, and friends, if near, to enjoy the scene." The person in the engraving on this page is represented as blowing the candy or



wax, to ascertain how far the boiling has advanced. 41,341 pounds are annually manufactured in Tazewell county.

When the sugar-making season is over, spring has fairly begun; though few trees exhibit full grown leaves, those of the maple and buckeye, or horse-chestnut (*Aesculus glabra*), being earliest. The soft green foilage of these trees, the few spring flowers, the verdant meadows, the sweet warbling of forest birds, and general activity of the animal kingdom, make this the paradisian era of the year. By the first of June, nothing can exceed the beauty of this mountain region; the hill sides are variegated with a profusion of flowers; sweet odors stimulate the olfactories at the inhalation of every breath, and these

“Pleasant breezes, and slight showers,  
And the sweet odor of flowers,”

produce a carelessness, and happy contentedness, known to few other than oriental lands.

#### SUMMER.

This does not differ much, in appearance, from spring; yet materially in its effects. The grains are now nearly ready for harvesting, except corn, which is not gathered till fall. The summers are warm for a country so elevated, yet not so warm as the surrounding counties; there is, too, less rain at this season. But little traveling is done, and business dull; the farmers being closely engaged at home. About the fourth of July the harvest begins, and continues several weeks. This ended, the farmers begin to gather their cattle for the drovers, who carry from the county, annually, about 7,000 head, starting usually in the latter part of August and beginning of September. At times, the roads may be seen lined with cattle for miles, many of them passing through the county, from Kentucky and Tennessee, on their way to the eastern markets. The labors of the farm slacken till frost appears.

#### AUTUMN.

Fall is remarkable for the great beauty of the decaying foilage. Numerous plants are now in full bloom, and with the varied colors of the forest, present a sight of loveliness rarely seen. The nights become cooler, till fire is required, and soon in the month of October frost appears. Snow sometimes falls in this month, but most generally, not till November.

Soon after the appearance of frost, in October, the Indian summer sets in—a season as beautiful as its name. The air is pleasant, and a smoky haze fills the atmosphere.

This season, of all others, would be preferred for a perpetual climate. It lasts from ten days to three weeks. Many beautiful Indian love-tales are connected with this season, but are better suited to the pages of a magazine than this place. The seasons of Tazewell are objectionable only for one thing, viz: sudden changes, as mentioned under the head of Meteorology.

## CHAPTER V.

### METEOROLOGY.

Important as this subject is to the farmer, little attention has been paid to it. Few, I am persuaded, have appreciated its importance; and until our farmers avail themselves of the important laws, and consequent deductions which it has brought to light, we need not expect to see our land producing their proportionate amount of sustenance.

Meteorology, is the scientific designation of that science which treats of the atmosphere, and its varied phenomena. It is an essential part of a farmer's education, and without a knowledge of its principles, he must act upon the rude systems which have been conjured up by the wild superstitions of his fathers, in whose maxims he sees all science.

The every-day experience of any farmer will satisfy him that light, heat, air, temperature, etc., play an important part in the vegetable, as well as in the animal worlds.\*

The following remarks are based upon the observations of two winters and a summer. I have, also, availed myself of some of the current opinions which exist among the more learned farmers of the county. From the nature of the country—mountainous and much elevated, as mentioned in another place—almost every variety of climate, from  $36^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}$  N. Latitude, is to be found in certain localities of the county. The climate of Quebec and Charleston alike exist; the former on the mountain-peaks, and the latter in the deepest valleys. Owing to this fact it is difficult to give correct meteorological information unless observations have been made at different places.

I give the result at Jeffersonville, as being probably near the mean of the county.

The mean temperature for Winter months is  $30^{\circ}$  Fahr.

The mean temperature for Spring months is  $52^{\circ}$  Fahr.

The mean temperature for Summer months is  $73^{\circ}$  Fahr.

The mean temperature for Fall months is  $61^{\circ}$  Fahr.

The fall of rain in the Winter months is  $27\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

The fall of rain in the Spring months is  $16\frac{1}{8}$  inches.

The fall of rain in the Summer months is  $8\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

The fall of rain in the Fall months is  $6\frac{3}{4}$  inches.

Thus we have  $54^{\circ}$  as the mean temperature, and  $58\frac{3}{8}$  inches of rain during the year; which gives to each season  $14\frac{3}{8}$  inches, and to each day 0.1599 inches, or about 1 1-6 of an inch.

Snow falls in the valleys from the first of November to the first of April, and on the mountain tops, a little sooner and later. Its early fall, in autumn, destroys large quantities of timber, the leaves of which catch the snow till the weight becomes insupportable. The branches, and sometimes the body, giving way, fill the roads with fragments, rendering them impassable.



The winds vary very much, with the direction of the valleys, and it is often difficult to determine their real course; every valley seeming to draw a current through it. West, N. W. and east winds, prevail; though southerly winds sometimes blow for a short time. Northerly winds usually produce fair weather, while Easterly winds bring rain. Much rain is required for the soil, hence, vegetation shoots with the greatest rapidity during the wet season of spring.

The general temperature seems to be higher than it formerly was, there being less snow, and ice, during the winters, as well as less rain, than during the first years of settlement. This no doubt, is owing to the loss of timber on the cleared lands; it is the only way in which we can account for this change of climate. This explanation has the sanction of Baron Von Humboldt (see his *Cosmos*), than whom no man was a better judge, or closer observer of this department of nature.

The dry season, in the beginning of summer, sometimes does much mischief, not only to vegetation, but to man's health. The effects of light upon the soil, are nowhere more perceptible than here. The number of rays of light, falling at right angles on the south sides of the mountains during a greater part of the year, seems to have quite exhausted the soil, especially near the summits. On the north sides of the mountains, even from the tops, the soil is of the finest quality, and very productive. From this we should conclude, that to preserve and foster the productive energy of the soil, it requires shading. Changes of temperature are very sudden, the thermometer sometimes sinking rapidly from 70° to 20° Fahr., remaining so a few hours, and then rising as rapidly again, to 60° to 70°. This irregularity constitutes an objection to the climate, which, it is to be hoped, will be removed when the lands are entirely cleared up.

It is certainly a great pity, that meteorological investigations have not been instituted in this country; and it is still more unfortunate, that the farming community should have paid so little attention to a subject which so seriously affects their dearest interests.

"If a small portion of the talent and public patronage of this country could be turned to the study of vegetable and animal physiology, in their connection with farm economy, and to chemistry, entomology, agricultural geology, and meteorology, unquestionably, the average of our wheat, corn and cotton crops, would soon be doubled."\*

The farmers of this region have long believed that a plain English education, i. e., to read, write, and cipher, was all sufficient for a farmer, and hence science has been discarded as useless. The truth is, we need a scientific farmer's school, founded upon Socrates' idea of useful knowledge—to teach that, which would admit of application. We have too many schools where the mere theory of life and its means are taught.

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\* Lee—Patent Office Report, Part II, 1849.



## CHAPTER VI.

### DESCRIPTIVE GEOGRAPHY.

#### MOUNTAINS.

The principal mountains of Tazewell are Clinch, Rich, East River, Brushy, Garden, Paint Lick, Deskins and Flat Top. They have an elevation, above the valleys, of about eighteen hundred feet, and about three thousand above the level of the sea. For remarks upon their geological formation I would refer the reader to the Transactions of the Jeffersonville Historical Society. The general course of these mountains is N. 67° E.

Clinch mountain, which receives its name from Clinch river, extends through the entire length of the county. It has several gaps, through which wagon-roads pass.

Rich mountain, so called from the character of its soil, is a branch or spur of Clinch mountain, running parallel to its entire length.

East River mountain, so called from a stream of that name flowing along near its base, begins a few miles east of Jeffersonville, and runs parallel to the Rich mountain to the county line on the east.

Brushy mountain, receiving its name from the brushy character of its growth on the south side, runs in the same direction as the Clinch, and forms the southern boundary line of the county.

Paint Lick mountain is a continuation of the House and Barn mountain in Russell county, and is separated from it by the Maiden Spring fork, of Clinch river. There was once a great elk and deer lick, near its western end, and there are many paintings (still visible), supposed to have been executed by the Shawanoe Indians, or perhaps, by the Cherokees. The paintings represent birds, women, Indian warriors, etc. From these paintings, the lick was named, which was soon applied to the mountain. It rises near the western county line, and runs in the general direction to near Jeffersonville: it here sinks, to admit the passage of another fork of Clinch river, and again rises, forming Elkhorn mountain.

Deskins' mountain, so called from an early settler, runs parallel, and near the Paint lick, for about the same distance.

The Great Flat Top, rises from a spur of the Cumberland mountains, which traverse the county. It is in the northeast corner of the county, and on it, corner Tazewell, Mercer, and Wyoming counties. It receives its name from a large level area on its summit.

To notice the remaining small mountains and great ridges, would occupy too much space. The northern part of the county is much cut up with them and renders it almost valueless for farming purposes. For grazing, however, it cannot be excelled.

## VALLEYS.

The principal valleys, are the Clinch, Abb's, Poor, Baptist, Thompson's, and Deskins'. They are not so wide as those of the adjoining counties, yet sufficiently broad, to afford room for some beautiful farms.

Clinch valley, through which flows the north fork of Clinch river, and from which it was named, is the most important, and perhaps, contains the best lands in the county. In it is located the seat of justice, and through it passes the Fincastle and Cumberland Gap turnpike.

Abb's valley, so called from Absalom Looney, the first white settler, is a narrow, but beautiful and fertile valley, under which runs a creek of considerable size, its entire length of about twelve miles—it is much celebrated, in consequence of the horrible massacres which were perpetrated in it.

Poor valley, is between Clinch and Brushy mountains: it is narrow, and the lands poorer, than most of the surrounding country; yet in point of mineral wealth, it is one of the richest valleys in the county. It is several hundred feet lower than the adjoining valleys.

Thompson's valley, between Rich and Clinch mountains, is one of the most beautiful in the county. The lands are good and in a high state of cultivation. It is from two to three miles wide, and was so called from a large family residing in it, and who were among the earliest settlers.

Baptist valley, was so named from the number of persons belonging to the Baptist denomination of Christians, who settled in it. It is a valley of some importance, the Tazewell C. H. and Kentucky turnpike passing through its entire length.

Deskin's valley, between a range of hills, and Deskins' mountain, received its name from an early settler. There are some fine farms in it, though the valley is small.

## RIVERS AND CREEKS.

Clinch is the principal, and Sandy, the most important in the county. The latter heads in the county, and is navigable to the county line, for flat-boats. East river, Tug, and Bluestone creek, are considerable streams.

Clinch river heads in this county, and receives its name from an incident which occurred on it in 1767. A hunter named Castle, left Augusta and went to what is now Russell county, to hunt with a party of friendly Indians, who were living on it. This tribe made frequent visits to the settlement, carrying off horses, and such other stock as they could get hold of. A man named Harman, who was robbed of some things, and believing Castle to be the instigator to these acts, applied to a Mr. Buchanan, a justice of Augusta, for a writ to arrest Castle and bring him to trial. The writ was issued, and a party raised to arrest him, among whom, was a lame man named Clinch. The party went to Castle's camp, and attempted to arrest him, but the Indians joined Castle, and Harman's party was forced to retreat across the river.



In the hurry of the moment, Clinch got behind, and while fording the river was shot by an Indian, who rushed forward to secure his scalp, but was shot by one of Harman's party. The vulgar tradition is, that an Indian was pursuing a white man, who clenched, and drowned the Indian in the stream.

I had the former statement, however, from a grandson of the magistrate who issued the warrant for Castle's apprehension.

As before stated, the river rises in the county, east of Jeffersonville, running in a westerly direction, and receiving numerous small streams, till it reaches what is known as New Garden, in Russell county. It is then joined by the Maiden Spring fork, which rises in Thompson's valley, flows a short distance, sinks several miles and rises again near what is known as Maiden Spring, owned by Col. Rees T. Bowen, and one of the loveliest places in Tazewell. This spring is named also, from an incident which happened to Rees Bowen, the earliest settler near it, and grandfather of its present owner.

When Mr. Bowen first saw the spring, he discovered a fine young female deer, feeding on the moss within the orifice from which gushes the spring. He shot it, and when he went to get his deer, saw a pair of elk horns standing on their points, and leaning against the rocks. Mr. Bowen, was a very large and tall man, yet he had no difficulty in walking upright under the horns. He chose this place for his home, and the spring and river, have since been known as Maiden Spring and Fork.

The Sandy river has several branches heading in this county, the most important of which, are the La Visee, Dry, and Tug Forks.

La Visee, has many branches in Tazewell, and is navigable for flat-boats, to the county line. The first white man who ascended it, was a Frenchman, who found a well-executed design, or painting upon a peeled poplar; hence its name—"la", translated, meaning the, and "visee," meaning a design, aim or representation. It is sometimes called Louisa fork, from Louisa C. H., Kentucky, near its junction with the Tug river.

The Dry fork, heads about six miles N. W. from Jeffersonville, and flows into the Tug river. So named, because the waters on it get very low during the summer.

The Tug river, is named from an incident which took place in 1756. "Maj. Andrew Lewis was appointed to command this expedition (one ordered by Gov. Dinwiddie, to march against the Shawanoes on the Ohio), and directed to proceed against the Shawnee villages, near the mouth of the Great Kanawaha. Maj. Lewis led his men, through great peril and suffering, within a few miles of the Ohio, when a messenger, ordering a return of the expedition, reached him. The whole party suffered intensely during this march, and once were reduced to the necessity of cutting their buffalo-skins into tugs, and eating them; hence the name Tug River."\* The river is in the northern part of the county, and abounds in fine fish. It is too much obstructed by falls, to be navigable at any stage of water.

East river, so called from the direction which it flows, is a small stream, emptying into the Kanawha.

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\* DeHass's History of Western Virginia, pages 202-3.



Bluestone creek or river, also, flows east, and is remarkable for the clear blue color of its waters; hence its name. In addition to these rivers (which are but large creeks), there are quite a number of creeks, only a few of which will here be noticed.

Great Indian Creek, rises in what is known, as the Sinking waters, and flows southerly, into Clinch river, sixteen miles west of Jeffersonville. A man named Ray, was killed on it, by some Indians. At its head is a spring, said to possess the property of petrifying nuts, twigs, etc., some of which are in my possession.

Cove Creek, rises in the Cove, and meanders under ground through it, coming out at Maiden Spring, numerous openings from the surface enable stock to get water from it.

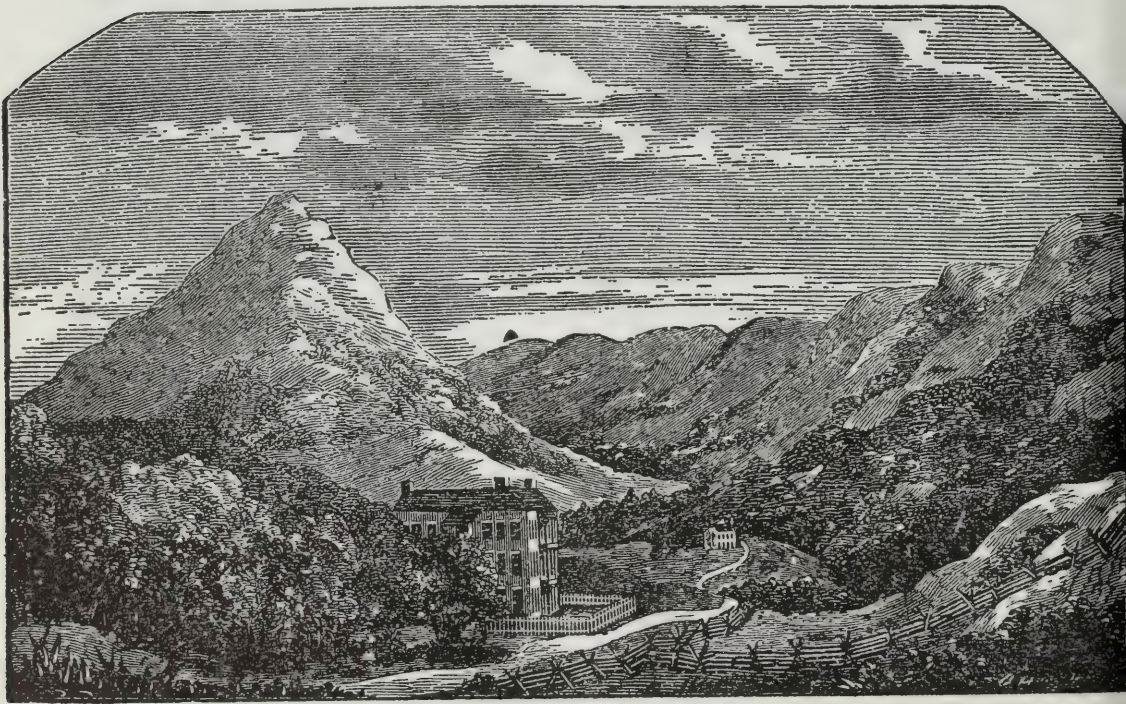
Wolf creek, rises in Burk's Garden, flows into the Kanawha (here called New River), and was named from an encounter with a wolf on its margin.

There are hundreds of others, each one of which, by its name, perpetuates some traditional incident; but I have not space to notice them.

#### DESCRIPTION OF PARTICULAR LOCALITIES.

##### COVE.

This is a large area of nearly level land, containing about fifteen square miles, and situated at the west end of Thompson's valley, between Clinch



COVE AND MAIDEN SPRING FARMS.

and Short mountains, which was evidently, at one time, connected with the Rich mountain. The waters seem to have accumulated, and forced a way

through that spot now known as Maiden Spring. The land is very fertile, well timbered and watered, and the surrounding farms in fine order. Add to it the adjoining lands and residence of Maj. H. S. Bowen and Col. Rees T. Bowen, and I know of no place or section in Tazewell county, of the same extent, so desirable. The society is good, and the inhabitants very hospitable. I hesitate not to call this the garden-spot of Tazewell county. It was settled in 1772, by John Craven, who was followed, the next year, by Rees Bowen, David Ward, and William Garrison. The latter, however, settled on its very edge. The descendants of these men are still living in the Cove. The Wards, Bowens, Gillespies, Barneses, and Youngs, constitute a major part of its population. The scenery from here is fine, and the climate warmer, than other parts of the county.

#### RICHLANDS.

This locality is in the western part of the county, on Clinch river, and is noted for its fine lands. It is a pretty place, and in every sense of the word, desirable.

#### BLUESTONE.

Here is to be found another fine farming country; the people moral and prosperous, and blessed with "peace and plenty." It is in the eastern part of the county, on Bluestone river. The Fincastle turnpike passes through it. The settlement contains a division of the Sons of Temperance, which speaks much for its population.

#### BURK'S GARDEN.

The following description of Burk's garden, was written by Thomas G. Harrison, a gentleman of Jeffersonville, and published in the Jeffersonville Democrat, in September 1850, which, polished in novel style as it is, is in the main correct.

"Burk's garden, in Tazewell county, Virginia, considered in its geological and geographical character, abounds with a beauty perhaps unparalleled by any other scope of land, of equal area, on the American continent. It is about ten miles in length, from east to west, and five in breadth, from north to south; entirely surrounded by lofty mountains, save a narrow pass, through which flows Wolf creek, a small, rippling rivulet, which derives its name from the number of wolves caught in traps, and otherwise exterminated on its margin.

"Seventy years ago, a man named Burk ascended the Garden mountain on the south side, and from its summit beheld, for the first time ever civilized man did, this enchanting vale, rich in the exuberance of nature's virgin dress. According to a well-authenticated tradition, Burk descended the mountain late in the evening, accompanied by his dogs and gun, and erected his camp near a tinkling fountain; breaking, for the first time, the primeval solitude that had reigned in this dell since creation's birth, the undisturbed



genius of the woods. At every stroke of his ax in the gnarled oak and smooth poplar, echo, aroused from her lair, answered loud, and flew shrinking back into her covered recess, as if mad at the rude invasion. The branching antlered buck, and screaming panther, stalked around his camp with an air of curiosity, as if wondering what his presence could mean, yet proud of their native freedom, and unconscious of their deadly foe. What a beautiful prospect was spread out before Burk on that solitary evening. Flowers of every hue and odor, and bright speckled trout, flirting the crystal waters with their glittering fins, and anon skimming the surface of the pearly rill birds of gaudy plumage and silvery sound, apparently sporting in an ecstasy of glee at the idea of having for an auditor, a fair visaged biped of stately step and comely form; and perchance they poured from their mellow throats a thousand varied choruses of harping melodies, soothing and charming the wrapped sense of the astounded Burk, until he fancied himself in a very Jehosaphat, or an elysium, in which every fleeting zephyr was freighted with a tuneful intelligence, whispering happiness, or, as Milton would say

"It seemed a fit haunt for the gods,"

As, in truth, it was a real haunt for the wild gods of Columbia—the red men of the forest. Two Indian tribes, the Cherokees and Shawanoes, frequented south-western Virginia, at the time Burk explored these wilds. He was an excellent hunter and pioneer, of the Daniel Boone style; and buffalo, elk and deer, were quite numerous, at this period, in Burk's garden (I understand that buffalo were scarce. B.)—for wild pea-vine, and blue-grass, grew four or five feet high, from mountain to mountain—making it a perfect paradise for the grazing species."

In 1848, the legislature of Virginia granted a charter for the construction of a road, called Fancy gap and Tazewell C. H. turnpike, which will pass through the interior of the garden, and which, when completed, will add greatly to its importance."

I have not space for the insertion of the whole article, and hence have been compelled to partially mutilate it. There is some dispute about Burk having discovered the garden; some contending that it was discovered by Morris Griffy, a stepson of Burk. The garden is located in the south-east part of the county, about sixteen miles from Jeffersonville. It was evidently at one time, nothing more than a pond, which eventually, forced its way through Wolf creek pass. The soil is certainly alluvial. I beg to differ with Mr. H. about its being the most desirable part of the county, for two reasons, first, its climate is too cold to mature corn well, and secondly, it is hard of access. It is 900 feet higher than Jeffersonville, or 1000 feet above the bed of Clinch river. Its winters are four weeks longer than those of the country around the C. H., and six weeks longer than those of the Cove. Small grain and grass do exceedingly well upon its soil.

#### COUNTRY AROUND JEFFERSONVILLE.

The lands here are well improved, and will compare favorably with any in the county. There are many fine farms near the town, among which



may be mentioned those of Thos. Peery, Esq., John Wynn, Esq., Col. John B. George, Kiah Harman, Henry, Elias, G. W., and William Harman, Joseph, and Thomas G. Harrison, A. A. Spotts, Hervey G. Peery, Esq., and Dr. H. F. Peery.... 50,000 acres of these lands, are worth from forty to fifty dollars an acre, and little could be purchased for even that sum.

These farms are well stocked, and laid down in fine grasses, among which may be mentioned, blue-grass, long English, timothy, and clover. The dwellings are good, and an air of ease, and opulence, is everywhere seen. The water is an excellent quality of blue limestone.

#### CLEAR FORK SETTLEMENT.

This is in the eastern part of the county, on the creek of that name. It has the reputation of being a fine farming country, and a place every way desirable. When Tazewell county shall be generally as well improved, as the places which have been mentioned, it may well be called a **Mountain Garden**.

#### JEFFERSONVILLE.

(See Frontispiece).

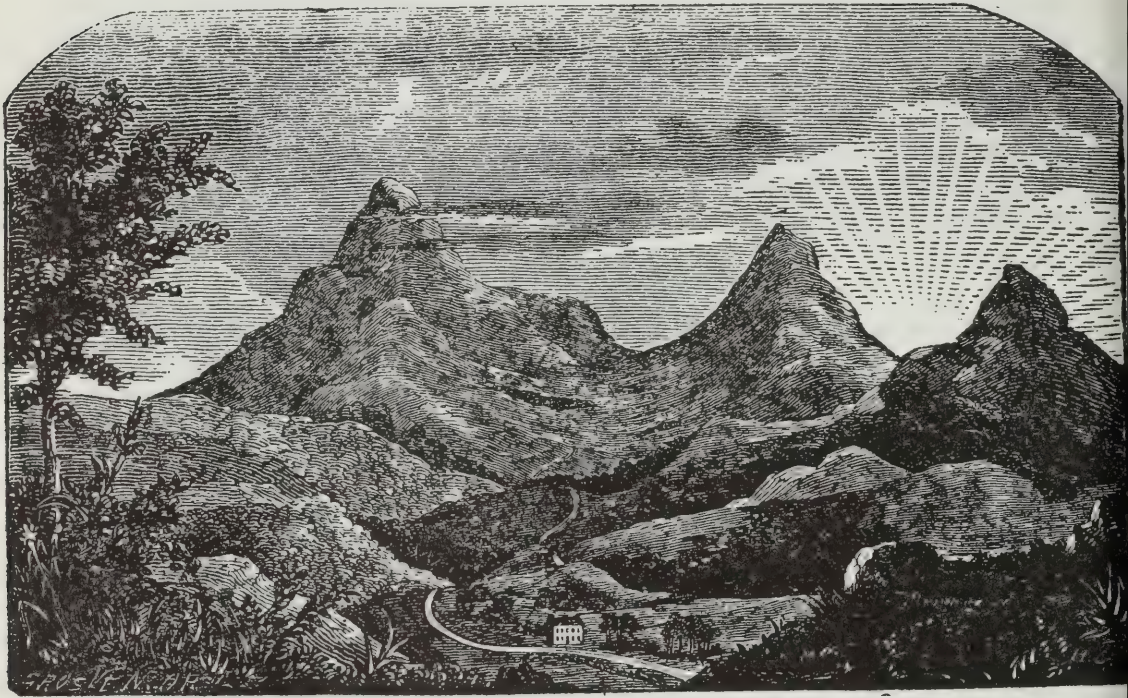
Jeffersonville is the seat of justice or capital of the county, and is situated on an elevated plain in Clinch valley, about one mile from the river. It is centrally situated in the county, if regarded from east to west, but not so from north to south, being within ten miles of the southern line, and upward of forty from its northern boundary. The surrounding scenery is indeed beautiful. Immediately south of the town rises Wolf creek knob, or **the Peak**, the summit of which, in winter, is frequently covered with snow, while verdant grass is seen lower down the mountain side, in beautiful contrast with the dreariness of the snow-mantled top. In summer it is beautifully decorated with laurel and ivy blossoms; great quantities of these shrubs growing near its summit.

To the east are seen the three abrupt and rocky heads of East River mountain; to the west, like ends of Paint Lick and Deskins' mountains, which, however, are somewhat obscured by large hills. To get a good view a hill north of the town must be ascended; from this hill the view on the opposite page was taken.

In this view, the high peak to the left represents Morris's knob. The other two to the right, are the ends of Paint Lick and Deskins' mountains. In the distance are seen mountains in Russell county. North of the town a pleasant succession of hills rise, which give a beautiful aspect to the country, especially when the forests are covered with foliage.

The town contains about eighty houses, and numbers over three hundred inhabitants. Few villages anywhere in south-western Virginia, have a neater appearance, or present a more business-like scene. The streets are laid out at right angles, the principal ones running east and west. The main street is well paved and partially McAdamized; it will soon be completed. The houses are usually well built, and painted white. A better

site might have been selected for its location, but the land could not be purchased. The most objectionable feature to its present location is the difficulty of getting water. A single spring supplies most of the town with water, which is hauled in barrels. Considering the danger of the town in case of fire, it is a little strange why water has not been brought into the town by pipes from a spring of purest water three or four hundred feet above the town on the side of the mountain. The cost of doing so would not probably exceed \$1,000.



SCENERY WEST FROM JEFFERSONVILLE.

Jeffersonville was founded in June, 1800, and named from Thomas Jefferson. The name really signifying Jefferson's village.

The following is a business directory of the town:

**NORTHWESTERN BRANCH BANK.**—Main St., E. C. H.

**Officers.**—President, John W. Johnston; Cashier, Isaac M. Benham; Clerk, Rees B. Gillespie.

**Directory.**—John C. McDonald, John B. George, Kiah Harman, Geo. W. G. Browne, S. F. Watts, Samuel Graham, Isaac E. Chapman.—Capital \$100,000.

Discount day, Friday.

**JEFFERSONVILLE SAVINGS BANK.**—Main St., nearly opposite Court House.

**Officers.**—Cashier or Treasurer, Addison A. Spotts; Secretary, William O. Yost.

**Directory** —Thomas Peery, Rees T. Bowen, A. A. Spotts, Granville Jones, William Cox, William O. Yost, John C. Hopkins.—Capital, by limitation, \$100,000.



Discount day, Saturday.

UNION HOTEL.—Main St., one door west of the C. H. Proprietors, R. W. & T. Witten.

VIRGINIA HOUSE.—Main St., three doors east of the C. H. Proprietors, McCarty & Bosang.

POST OFFICE.—Opposite C. H. P. M., A. A. Spotts. Deputies, Witten and Chapman.

#### MAIL ARRIVALS.

Northern mail, via Wytheville, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Northern mail, via Fincastle, Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Southern mail, via Broadford, Wednesdays.

Western mail, via Lebanon, Mondays and Saturdays.

Western mail, via Richlands, Wednesdays.

#### MAIL DEPARTURES.

Northern mail, via Wytheville, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Northern mail, via Fincastle, Mondays and Saturdays.

Southern mail, via Broadford, Wednesdays.

Western mail, via Lebanon, Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Western mail, via Richlands, Thursdays.

#### PHYSICIANS.

H. F. Peery. Office, west end Main St.

R. W. Witten. Office, Union Hotel.

Jas. R. Doak. Office Main St., West C. H.

G. W. L. Bickley. Office, Union Hotel.

Jno. M. Estill. Office, Main St.

Thos. G. Witten. Office, Main St. opposite Va. House.

#### LAWYERS.

Joseph Stras. Office, Main Street.

John A. Kelly. Office, Main Street.

John W. Johnston. Office, Main Street.

Wade D. Strother. Office, Main Street.

Wm. Henry Maxwell. Office, Court-House room.

Sterling F. Watts. Office, Main Street.

#### CLERK SUPERIOR AND COUNTY COURTS.

G. W. G. Browne. Office, C. H.

#### JAILER.

William J. Crutchfield.



## PRINTING OFFICE.

S. W. Advocate. Geo. Fred. Holmes, Editor.

## MERCHANTS.

Witten & Chapman, Main Street, Groceries and Dry Goods.  
 A. J. Dunn, Main Street, Groceries and Dry Goods.  
 F. P. & W. Spotts, Main Street, Groceries and Dry Goods.  
 W. W. Dunn & Bros., Main Street, Groceries and Dry Goods.  
 John C. McDonald, Main Street, Groceries and Dry Goods.  
 St. Clair & Hopkins, Main Street, Groceries and Dry Goods.  
 W. Page & Co., Main Street, Jewelers.  
 A. McPhatridge, Main Street, Tinware.  
 W. O. & H. A. Yost, Main Street, Saddlery.  
 William Cox, Back Street, Saddlery.  
 Eldred R. Baylor, Main Street, Clothing Store.  
 P. Ingoldsby, Main Street, Clothing Store.  
 W. O. Yost, Back Street, Tannery.  
 W. Cox, Back Street, Tannery.  
 G. G. Hickman, Court Alley, Boots and Shoes.  
 Tho Witten, Back Street, Tannery.  
 W. J. Crutchfield, Jail Building, Boots and Shoes.

## BLACKSMITHS.

Granville Jones, Main Street.  
 S. G. Huddle, Main Street.

## CHURCHES.

Methodist, Main Street, Rev. G. W. G. Browne, Pastor.  
 Presbyterian, Main Street, Rev. Mr. Naff, Pastor.  
 Catholic, Near Main Street,———, Priest.

Masonic Lodge, Main Street, Tuesdays.  
 Floyd Lodge, 84, I. O. O. F., Main Street, Wednesdays.  
 B. U. (H. F.) C. A. Circle, Jail Buildings Saturdays.  
 Sons Temperance—Hall, Main Street, Fridays.  
 Jeffersonville Hist. Society—Library Room, Main Street, Quarterly.

There are several industrial establishments, which are not noticed.

## LIBERTY HILL.

Situated on the Fincastle and Cumberland Gap turnpike, eight miles west of Jeffersonville, is a flourishing little village, and would soon grow to importance if it was located as to afford building-ground: but situated

in a narrow valley, between high hills, there is little room for expansion. It has one hotel, three stores, and several industrial establishments. Notwithstanding its proximity to Jeffersonville, it has considerable trade.

It was founded in 182-, and named from a church used by all denominations of Christians. "Hill" was added to distinguish it from Liberty in Bedford county, Va. It is well supplied with water, and is a pleasant place.

## CHAPTER VII.

### SOIL AND PRODUCTIONS.

There are three kinds of land in Tazewell, which will be noticed in order. It is generally known that it is the celebrated blue-grass soil, strongly impregnated with lime, and very productive. It is a clay loam, very tannacious in its nature, and easily resuscitated. But to the description of the different kinds.

1st. The bottom lands, generally limestone, soil stiff, and very productive. The soil of the bottom lands may be regarded as slightly alluvial, for it is generally deposited from the hill-side and water during the wet seasons of winter and spring.

Few rocks appearing above the surface renders it easy to cultivate, and enables the farmer to do so with most advantage.

Corn is mostly grown on the bottom lands, because it is easier to plow. It makes fine meadows.

2d. The hill, or upland. This is to be found on the base of mountains, and over small hills. This class of land is quite as valuable as the bottom lands; it is generally laid down in meadow grasses. It is somewhat disfigured by rocks, occasionally near the surface, or jutting through the soil. They really injure the land less than one used to rockless lands would suppose. The soil near them is richer than it is in a few yards from them; hence, the grass is ranker, and produces as much to a given area as if no rocks appeared. Experiment has tested this.

Very many acres of this upland is destitute of rocks, and then nothing can exceed, in agricultural beauty, the soft, luxuriant blue-grass with which it is covered.

The 3d class, or mountain land, is generally used for pasturage. It is found on the mountains, above an elevation of 600 feet. It is equally as rich as either the first or second classes, but is too cold to mature grains, unless it be rye. It is also too steep for cultivation, or even for growing grass, had it to be mowed. The stock, however, succeed in climbing the mountain-sides for it, and during the summer keep fat. It was formerly but little valued; it now bears a good price.

There is a strange phenomenon here (as in other mountain countries), effecting the difference of lands found on north and south hill-sides. The cause; or explanation, has been given under the head of Meteorology. The soil on the north sides of the mountains and hills is a dark, loose loam, and extremely rich; the rocks (though few) are the finest quality of limestone. On the south, they are essentially different in kind and quality, being flint and clay slate, often pulverized so as not much to impede the plow. It will require some geological speculations to account for this difference in rock, and to such works I refer the reader. The growth on the south sides, above



600 feet, is shrubby, and generally oak and chestnut; and the land does not produce, by any means, as well as the valley or north side lands. The south side land, below 600 feet, was formerly but little valued, being gritty, but it is now looked on as the finest wheat land.

I remarked that the soil of the land in Tazewell was "Tenacious;" I mean by this that it wears well. A field on the Crab-orchard farm, cleared in 1775, upward of seventy-five years ago, has not had a year's rest, and now produces equally as well as any land in the county. With anything like care, the farmer here can never impoverish his lands.

I have never known a judge of land to examine those of Tazewell without passing the highest encomiums upon them, and I hope I shall not be accused of partiality when I say—I have seen lands in most of the states and territories, and have found none, anywhere, more deserving enomiums than those of Tazewell county, Virginia. To the farmer it will be gratifying to know, that our lands, though broken, do not wash.

[List of Plants and Trees are Omitted.]

The botanist will find many plants not generally supposed to grow in mountainous districts; while the medical gentleman will agree with me, that nature seems to have made this county the home of the most important medicinal plants in her *materia medica*. The following remarks, I quote from an address to the public, by the author, prefacing the constitution and by-laws of the Jeffersonville Historical Society, and published in 1851.

"The Botany of western Virginia is not surpassed by that of any other section in the temperate zones. 'This region,' as Torrey says, 'may be called a garden of medicinal plants.'"

Ornamental, as well as medicinal plants, are here scattered with a profuse hand. To every disease of this region, nature seems to have furnished a remedy. If in any country botany can be studied with advantage, it is here; for flowers of the same class, genera, and species, are blooming for several months. Those in the valleys first, and those found upon the ascent of the mountains, later. Many have been the pleasant days which I have spent in botanical rambles on these mountains, where from frost till frost flowers are ever found.

## CHAPTER VIII

### LIVE STOCK

I have not space to treat this subject at that length, which its importance demands, nor is it necessary to go into details, as the people of Tazewell seem awake to their interest, which is closely connected with this subject. When the stock markets of the east are dull, business is seriously affected in this county; the export of stock, constituting a principal source of wealth (see Commerce). The live stock of the county, is valued at 517,330 dollars, and it probably greatly exceeds that sum. My calculations are based upon the census returns for June 1850, since which time, a year and a half has passed, and, of course, has proportionally increased, so that if their valuation was now stated to be 600,000 dollars I should perhaps be within the bounds of truth. There is no subject more interesting to a majority of farmers, but want of space compels me to leave its perfect elucidation to others better qualified for the task.

#### HORSES.

Tazewell has long been celebrated for its fine horses. The principal breeds in the county, are the Tamoleon, Yorick, Packalet, Cooper, and Trueblue.

The **Tamoleons** are celebrated for their riding qualities, and when crossed with the cultivator, are, perhaps, equal to any in the United States. They are very docile, and easily kept in good order. They are sorrel, with flax mane and tail, and with the exceptions of a few defects about the head, are fine specimens of the species.

The **Yorick** breed, are generally black, rather small, well muscled, fiery and make excellent saddle-horses. They are remarkable for having sprung from Yorick, the bitter foe of the Indians (see History of Moore Family—Book, III).

The **Packalet** was introduced into Tazewell from Botetourt county, Va. Most of the fine grays, seen in our county, are of this stock. They are fine harness horses, and are not much inferior to others, if used under the saddle.

The **Coopers** and **Trueblues** are, also, quite numerous, and with many are favorite breeds.

If we except the Arabians, no people are fonder of fine horses, than those of Tazewell. Boys, from an early age, manifest great partiality for them. They are generally good judges of a horse, and have them well used. From the character of the country, the labors of a horse are slavish. They bear a good price, first class horses selling from one hundred and fifty, to one hundred and sixty dollars, and second class selling from one hundred, to one hundred and twenty-five dollars. There are upward of 5,000 in the county:

about 200 are annually driven south and east. Much money is made by buying and selling in the county; but those who drive them off, generally lose, prices being too high, at home, to admit of speculation, when driven to a distance.

#### MULES.

There are but few in the county, though their culture is beginning to engage public attention. Our climate and pastures seem every way calculated to produce as fine mules, as any part of Kentucky. They require little or no feeding, and will, therefore, yield greater profits than horses, which require more or less grain, during the entire winter. It seems difficult to convince the older farmers, that they are as able to perform the labors of the farm as the horse. Time will, however, convince them that this objection is futile. They should be raised for exportation, as they require as little care as cattle, and yield much greater profits.

#### CATTLE.

There is nowhere to be found, a country better adapted to grazing cattle than this county. The grass is said to be superior, both in abundance and quality, by all stock dealers. About 7,000 head are annually driven to market; but on which, like all other live stock, great losses are sometimes sustained. This could not be otherwise, while markets are at such a distance.

The improved, are the **long and short horned Durham and Devon**. A majority of the cattle in the county are, however, of the unimproved, or native stock, which are less, and do not bear so good a price as the improved.

Three year old steers, are worth from twelve to sixteen dollars, according to the scarcity, and the reported demand in market. There are somewhere in the neighborhood of 1800 in the county. A part of those driven from the county, are bought up in Kentucky and Tennessee during the fall, wintered and kept till September, when they are taken to market.

#### SHEEP.

There are only about 20,000 head of sheep in the county, and these suffered to run at large on the mountains, without shepherds, subject to the mercy of the wolves and dogs. It is no unusual thing for great numbers to be killed in the spring. The owners pay but little attention to them, and do not even make them as profitable as they might be made.

There are few improved flocks: but the small, unimproved, are here a superior sheep. About 25,000 pounds of wool are annually taken, and a major part exported. It is to be regretted, that our farmers have paid so little attention to wool growing. I am well convinced, that the same amount of capital invested in sheep, that is invested in cattle, would pay a much better profit. No county in the state is better adapted to the rearing of sheep, than this—a poor sheep being seldom seen.



## HOGS.

There are 21,000 in the county, though not over 500 are annually driven to market. 10,000 pounds are baconed, a portion of which is sold to the adjoining counties of Washington and Smyth. Hogs do not seem to thrive so well here as formerly, owing, no doubt, to the uncertainty, and sometimes scarcity of the chestnut and acorn crops. The markets are in Eastern Virginia. There are not goats sufficient to require notice.

## CHAPTER IX.

### COMMERCE OF TAZEWELL.

Considering the population of Tazewell, its commerce is rather extensive. To give a correct idea of its growth I shall be compelled to turn back from the present to an early period. It has been elsewhere stated, that during the first years of settlement, all goods were brought from the east on packhorses. The goods then imported were pottery, and hardware, consisting of axes, knives and forks, pocket-knives, hammers, saws, chisels, ect. Neither groceries nor dry goods, found a place on the list of importations. After the peace of 1783, the list was enlarged. Hitherto almost everything had been paid for in peltries, a currency much easier acquired by the frontiersmen, and much less liable to depreciation, than the continental money then in circulation.

There being at this time, no roads over which wagons could pass, of course the task of importation was tedious, and sometimes uncertain. From all appearances, none thought it scarcely creditable, that in the short space of half a century, so great a change would have been made. An incident related to me by Mr. Samuel Witten, seems to the point:—

James Witten, one of the early settlers, whose keen judgment had led him to expect that this county was, at some future time, destined to be the seat of a free, happy, and independent people, one day at a house-raising jocely inquired of his comrades, what they would think, if in twenty-five years, wagons actually came into the county, and passed along the very valley in which they were at work? The rest of the company laughed at the idea, nor could the old man persuade them, that such a thing would take place even in fifty years. Yet, in a few years—much less than twenty-five, the road was made, and wagons passed over the very spot predicted by Mr. Witten, to the no small wonder of the older people, and terror of the children.

The road, however, was not what would now be expected by the name. From this time, the roads continued to improve, and the importation of goods to increase. They were then wagoned from Philadelphia, one wagon-load generally supplying the whole county. About the year 1800, a sack of coffee, for the first, time was brought into the county. It was kept by Mr. Graham, the merchant, a year and a half, and sent back as being altogether unsaleable. Yet the sons and daughters of these very people, now consume not far from 50,000 pounds in a single twelve-month.

The opening of the Fincastle and Cumberland Gap turnpike in 183-, furnished another market to the merchant; goods were now purchased in the northern cities, and shipped to Lynchburg, and were thence brought to the county by wagons. About fifteen days is the usual time which elapses from the day of loading in Lynchburg, to the time of arrival in Jeffersonville. Freight is about two dollars and fifty cents per cwt. There is now brought

into the county annually, dry goods and groceries to the amount of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars. The percentage on goods sold here is considerable, owing partly to the freight, and to the credit system which prevails.

Feathers, beeswax, ginseng, hides, tallow, butter, and wool, are usually bought by the merchants, or bartered for goods. We have no market for wheat, corn, potatoes, oats, hay, buckwheat, or barley.

Cattle are driven to the north-eastern part of the state, and sold to speculators, who fatten and dispose of them in Baltimore, and the northern cities. Hogs are usually driven to the east and south-east part of the state. Horses are driven south and east—generally into North Carolina. Much of the live stock is bought on credit, and paid for upon the return of the drovers. This accounts for the credit system of the county. The merchants have claims upon the people of the county, for upward of one hundred and forty thousand dollars, but this is a small sum, when we consider that the stock trade alone, brings to the county every year upward of one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

As soon as the Virginia and Tennessee railroad has been completed to Wythville (which will be during the year 1852), this over-balancing will be in favor of the farmer, in place of the merchant. The percentage on importations will not be so great, and the expense of exporting will likewise be lessened. The grains will find a market, and many farmers will buy most of their necessities themselves. Instead of driving cattle to the N. E. counties of Virginia, they will, most likely, be driven to Saltville, slaughtered, pickled up, and sent to a different market. It is to be greatly lamented that efficient steps have not been taken to get a branch from the main road extending into Tazewell county. Could the central road pass us and go to the mouth of Big Sandy river, as it should, we should also find a market for our coal, which is exhaustless, and of the finest quality.

There is at no time over twenty thousand dollars, in active circulation in the county. Large amounts of small bills, issues of the Tennessee, Kentucky, Washington City, and North Carolina banks, are to be seen; and though it is a violation of the laws, to receive or pass them, no attention is paid to it, either by the people or the commonwealth.

#### HOME MANUFACTURES.

Linsey, jeans, tow-linen, flax-thread, hose, and carpets, are the principal home manufactures of this county: the value of which, according to the census report, is twenty-five thousand four hundred dollars. I have no data from which to estimate the amount of either, but am satisfied that jeans linsey, stand first in valuation. Tow-linen, which sells for about ten cents per yard, does not cost the Tazewell manufacturer far short of thirty cents. A like statement might be made about the whole list.

These articles are manufactured at the houses of the farmers, their plantations supplying all the material, except cotton, which is imported from North Carolina, spun and put up in bales. Wool is carded by machines in the county, and spun by hand. The weaving is done on the common hand-



loom. House furniture, of nearly all kinds, is manufactured in the county. Saddles, boots, shoes, iron-work, etc., is also done here. Lumber of the finest quality, may here be had, for the trouble of cutting it.

When speaking of the loss attending home manufactures I have been more than once told, that "this kind of work is done by women when they could do nothing else." To such, I again say, if I have made a correct statement, they had better cease labor. Beside, I have yet to find a woman who can do nothing else but weave and spin. Why send our children to school, if their mothers have time to educate them? We should at least save tuition fee. Let the education of our youths be intrusted to women, and I venture to affirm, that they will become as learned and pious, as under the instruction of men. Woman is eminently qualified to instill christianity in the plastic minds of children; and her very nature fits her to enter into the sympathies of childhood, when men disregard them. It is time that the yardstick, tapestring, and rule, be transferred into their hands, and the masculine part of the race betake themselves to pursuits more manly, and better calculated to develop the talents God has given them.

I would not be called an advocate for petticoat government, but I would make woman my equal and restore to her, her natural rights. I would have her share, in common with man, the business transactions of life, and thus afford her fields of labor in which to develop her god-like faculties. To see a feminine, soft-handed man measuring lace, while a rosy-cheeked girl is chopping wood to make him a fire, induces me to think man has forgotten from whence he sprung.

## CHAPTER X.

### EDUCATION.

The following article is the substance of a report made by Mr. Rufus Brittain, a competent teacher of this county, to the Jeffersonville Historical Society. It is so true that no apology is needed here for inserting it. I presume that few will be found who will dissent from his opinions. Yet, I fear, few there are, as ready to act as Mr. Brittain. A thousand reasons might be adduced for properly educating the children of this county, and from signs now becoming visible, it is to be hoped that many years will not elapse before Tazewell will be ranked foremost in this best of causes. To properly educate the children of the county between the ages of six and twenty years, we need upward of seventy schoolhouses. We have now about fifteen, which are better suited for barns than seats of learning.

The increased interest now manifesting itself for the cause of popular education, is mostly among the younger persons. The present generation must pass away before we can expect a general diffusion of knowledge.

Mr. Brittain says:

"This cause, so important to the best interest of every well-regulated community, has not heretofore, in this section, received that attention it deserves: and as a natural consequence of this neglect, we find the county sadly deficient in the means of training up the children of her citizens for stations of honor and usefulness.

"By the returns of the last census, it is found that out of 3,317 persons in the county over twenty-one years of age, 1,490 are unable to read and write. This is indeed a deplorable picture of the intelligence of our county, and might well cause every intelligent man in it to blush with shame, were it not that we find some excuse for this ignorance when we consider the situation of the greater portion of our population, scattered as it is over a wide extent of country, and laboring under great disadvantages for maintaining schools.

"The early settlers of this region had many difficulties to encounter in their efforts to procure homes for themselves and their children, and too frequently education appears to have been of but secondary importance in their estimation. Yet primary schools of some sort seem to have been maintained from an early date after its settlement, in those neighborhoods where children were sufficiently numerous to make up a school, and parents were able and willing to support a teacher. Instances, also, have not been wanting where families not situated so as to unite conveniently with others, yet appreciating the advantages of a good school, have employed teachers to instruct their children at home, and thus afforded them privileges of which the children of their less enlightened neighbors were deprived. But of later years, since portions of the county have



become more densely populated, and in various ways much improved, the cause of education here has not kept pace with that improvement, for even in those parts of the county best able to maintain schools, no permanent provision has been made for their continuance: and in those schools that generally have been best supported, long intervals between sessions so frequently occur, that pupils forget much of what they had acquired during their attendance; and thus the little time spent by many in schools is spent under the greatest disadvantage for the proper development of their intellectual faculties. Teachers, as might be supposed, under these circumstances, together with the fact that their compensation is usually very moderate, are often incompetent for the task they have assumed, both as respects talents and acquired qualifications. And though under these circumstances good teachers are sometimes obtained, yet most generally in such cases the office is only assumed as an available stepping-stone to some other and more profitable pursuit. Indeed, it would be unreasonable to expect persons to prepare themselves for the proper discharge of the onerous duties of a primary school-teacher, unless they hoped to receive some adequate reward for their services.

"Now in consideration of the state of our schools, and the deplorable ignorance in which the children of our county are in danger of growing up, it must be evident to all who think properly on this subject, that we need to adopt and carry out some efficient school system, by means of which, our schools shall be made more permanent, and sufficient inducements be held out to command and retain the services of competent and well qualified teachers: and that the means of a good primary education be brought within the reach of every child in the community, and for those who desire it and excel in the branches taught in primary schools, that opportunities be afforded to acquire a knowledge of the higher branches of a good English and scientific education.

"These important objects, our schools, as now conducted, fail to accomplish, and the state school-fund for the education of indigent children, is in a great measure wasted, as by its regulations, it must depend chiefly on the schools as they now exist.

"But the legislature of the state has provided a Free School System, which if adopted and carried out with proper energy and in an enlightened manner, these noble objects, in a great measure, might be attained. In order to its adoption the law requires a vote in its favor of two-thirds of the legal votes of the adopting district or county. Such a vote, we fear, could not be obtained here, until some effort is made to enlighten our citizens on the subject of education and school systems; and show them the advantages that would accrue to themselves and their children by having the latter furnished with the proper means of moral and intellectual culture. There would also be a variety of difficulties to encounter in the execution of this Free School System. In some portions of the county the population is quite sparse, and a sufficient number of children could not be included within a convenient school district. This difficulty, however, has no remedy under our present method of keeping up the schools, unless families thus isolated are able to employ teachers to instruct their children at home.



But if schools were established in these thinly-settled districts, by taking in boundaries large enough to furnish a sufficient number of children to each, and some efforts made to overcome the inconvenience of a distant school, by conveying the children to and from school in such manner as could best be provided: the mere fact of a good school being kept up, would be a new inducement for persons to emigrate to those districts, and in a few years the population would so much increase that a school could be made up within convenient bounds. This system, also, being chiefly dependent on funds raised for its support by taxation, might meet with great opposition from those who have a higher appreciation of the value of money than they have of intelligence; and again, others who are possessed of large amounts of taxable property and few or no children to send to school, may think it oppressive, unless convinced that it is the duty of every state or community to educate, or furnish the means to educate, the children of its citizens. In a republican government like ours, the permanence of which evidently depends on the virtue and intelligence of its citizens, it might be deemed unnecessary to demonstrate the importance of every child being properly instructed and furnished with the means of acquiring that knowledge which will fit him to perform the duties incumbent on a citizen of a free and enlightened country. Yet there are too many who are slow to perceive or acknowledge the importance of good schools, and the necessity of being at some trouble and expense to keep them up. Hence all patriotic and intelligent members of the community who have tasted the blessing of an education, or felt the want of one, should co-operate with each other, and use their influence for the improvement of our schools, and the increase of the virtue and intelligence of our citizens."

## CHAPTER XI.

### SLAVERY IN TAZEWELL.

Did my limits admit it, I should enter into a lengthy detail of this institution as it exists in this county. This institution has long been denounced by the northern presses, and generally, greatly misrepresented. It has been contended that the slaves of the south are barbarously treated, ill-fed, poorly clothed, worked hard, and kept in ignorance. These assertions are not true, and the every-day experience of any southern man will bear me out in the declaration. True it is, that a few masters are tyrannical, but these are altogether exceptions, and should not be looked on as a necessary feature of the institution. These calumnies have been heaped upon us by men, many of whom, have seen but few or no slaves, and are consequently ignorant of the real state of slavery in the south.

They have been borne with a patience, which at once portrays the magnanimity, and patriotic devotedness of southern men to the Union. A few irascible politicians have cried out dissolution and secession, but the feeling has never been general in the south, nor is it likely to be, if the general government continues to carry out the designs of the constitution. There are, it is known, many highly intellectual and virtuous citizens of the northern states, as well as many respectable presses, who discountenance this abuse. It is generally the rabble, and foreigners, who keep up the excitement.

The insulting and degrading course of northern and western fanaties, has been the cause of introducing stricter discipline among the slaves. The ardent desires of abolitionists are thus rendered still more hopeless. Anti-slavery societies have, in a few instances, sent missionaries, under the guise of Christianity, to decoy off our slaves; and have sometimes been the means of causing the slaves to shed the blood of their masters, for which they will have to account in the day of general reckoning up. Were the people of the free states to come among us, and examine slavery as it really exists, they would no longer contenance the depredations of their fellow citizens; which, if not stopped, must ultimately result in a dissolution of the bonds of union, sealed by the blood of our fathers. Then civil war, and a total and merciless extermination of the African race, with all its dire consequences, would inevitably follow. Southern character has been mistaken by northern men; let them inform themselves and assist us in our labors to make this nation, as it should be, the seat of freedom, industry, and religion. The slavery of the south, is infinitely preferable to the degrading, antirepublican slavery and bondage, and poverty, and misery of the north. Show me so great a slave as the northern factory girl. Show me in the kitchen, or negro hut of the southern planter, the misery, and poverty, and hunger, which is to be met with among the poor widows, and orphans, and **free** negroes of the

north! Show me that southern master, who has ever refused his servant bread: for every one shown, I will show ten beggars in the streets of any northern city. But it is not my purpose to write a defense of this institution; I am, however, to record facts, and such are these.

The first slaves brought to this county, were purchased by the early settlers, with ginseng. They have increased, and others have been brought from the eastern part of the state. This species of property has not, however, been found so valuable here, as in the cotton lands of the south. Hence it has been less sought after.

There were on the first of June, 1850, eleven hundred and sixteen colored persons in the county, of whom fifty-six were free negroes, leaving ten hundred and sixty slaves, worth about five hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

They are well clothed, have often as good houses as their masters, work no harder, and have the same fare. They are generally trusty, and jealous of their honor. They are acquainted with the leading movements in the political world, are moral, and many read; few write, and their reading is mostly confined to the Bible. They converse well; have much tact and judgment, and often conduct the farming operations. They are generous, kind, and seem much devoted to their masters. Such are the slaves of Tazewell county.

And yet abolition societies send out men to persuade them to leave their homes of peace and plenty, where want and care are unknown, and make their way to **free states**, where they are really less respected, and where hunger, cold and nakedness ever await them. To the northern fanatics I would say, as the great Master said: "Why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?"



## CHAPTER XII.

### AGRICULTURE.

As I am writing for the information of the people of the county, most of whom are farmers, I trust I shall be forgiven if I am apparently verbose on this most interesting of subjects. The historian, I believe, is an annalist, with the privilege of giving his own opinion upon matters of which he writes. Of this latter license I shall avail myself, and hope I shall not entirely fail to interest.

Since by the labors of the husbandman we all live, either directly or indirectly, and upon the productive energy of the soil does not only our own existence but that of every animated creature upon the face of the earth depend, I shall not be accused of a stretch of the imagination, if I say, that mankind could better afford to give up every art and science than that of tilling the soil. Nor is it in the power of any man to picture the distresses which would follow a single failure of the earth to "bring forth." Scarcely a man will be found who would deny the above inferences; yet it will be equally as hard to find one who seems to appreciate the great necessity of renovating the soil, and bestowing agricultural educations upon her people.

I care not how viewed, whether in a political, religious, civil, useful, or physical light, all other arts are subservient to this; and none so worthy of our attention. I verily believe that the very existence and perpetuation of our Republic depends upon the successful cultivation of the soil. There is a moralizing influence attending the labors of the farmer, to be found nowhere else. No occupation that has yet appeared or been followed among men, seems so well calculated to develop the mind, or foster the principles of virtue as this. In order to the successful cultivation of the ground, a general knowledge of many of the arts and sciences is necessary. To develop the physical powers, and insure a healthy body, and a consequent healthy mind, agriculture seems peculiarly adapted.

Under a false idea that honor was alone attached to the so-called "learned professions," the occupation of "farmer" has been too much neglected; but agriculture stretches out her collateral arms, and embraces the labors of even these, which she appropriates to her legal domain. Astronomy and chemistry are her tools, while botany, or vegetable physiology is her offspring, to whose growth she yearly adds her treasures. Meteorology is her handmaid. Political economy is proud to obey her, while commerce and navigation, without her fostering hand, would sicken and pine in their infancy.

This false idea should be exploded. We need educated farmers who would seek to place the soil in such a state as to make it produce to its utmost extent. There are, perhaps, fewer scientific men engaged in this occupation than in any other; yet no occupation requires so many. European countries

have lately turned their attention to this subject through sheer necessity. The attention which our government is now paying to the subject, leads me to look for an entire revolution in agricultural matters in less than fifty years.

The agencies and improvements now acting, will tend to bring about this state of things. The proximity to each other, induced by the rail-car, will cement more closely the interest of the farming community of this extended land, and open up inducements hitherto unknown, especially in the isolated region of Tazewell. The press, sending forth its sheets from Maine to California, before they are fairly dry, and the astonishing workings of the telegraph are now exhibiting their influence upon the machinery of civil society, and in no country more perceptibly than in the Untited States.

Give us railroads, and let the press make known the claims of southwestern Virginia, and the "gee up" of the New England plowboy will soon be heard upon our mountain sides. Our mountaineers will soon be seen trading in Richmond, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, and Boston. Our neglected fields will bloom under the hands of scientific agriculturists, till wagons will no more be seen passing westward with men to build up new states on the ruins of those they have left.

I now proceed to point out briefly the history and peculiarities of agriculture in Tazewell. Among the early settlers, and even in the present day, a sufficiency of provisions alone seems to be sought after. Large quantities of land—too large for the force employed—are cultivated, and this very system of having too much land in a farm, has retarded the agricultural advancement of the county of Tazewell more than any other one cause. By endeavoring to cultivate so much land, it has been imperfectly worked, and hence the soil does not yield to the husbandman her proper stores.

The manner, too, of cultivation, is similar to that practiced by the early settlers. And I hope I shall be pardoned for saying that the people of Tazewell who cultivate the soil, work, less than most any other similar community to be found in the United States. This may be owing to the want of proper markets, which will not be much improved till our farmers turn their attention to internal improvements, and no longer vote against the construction of railroads and turnpikes.

Most of the cereals do well in Tazewell. I have in my possession a stalk of corn, grown on common upland, sixteen feet nine inches high; four stalks grew in a hill; it was planted in May, and cut up in September. Irrigating the lands is much neglected. Wheat does exceedingly well in this county, especially those kinds known as Mediterranean, walker, and white chaff: but as no market is afforded for its sale, more is not grown than is consumed, there being only 28,220 bushels reported on the census books for 1850. (See table.)

The county is more remarkable for its production of grasses than anything else. Though tobacco does very well, fortunately, its culture has been discarded, the county not producing 1,000 pounds per annum.

The exceedingly fine grasses of the county have made it decidedly a grazing county, and much celebrated for fine stock. Bluegrass (*Poa pre-tensis*) is the principal native (?) grass: though timothy, herd, and most

others do well. In no country does clover succeed better. The grasses have received much of the farmer's attention, and with the increasing interest shown in improving the live-stock, it would seem that the county is destined to take a prominent stand among the stock-raising counties in the state. There are some farms in the county well improved, but they are too few.



## CHAPTER XIII.

### CHURCH HISTORY—JUDICIARY.

No portion of my labors, if properly investigated, would be more interesting than this: yet the paucity of material afforded me, makes it quite difficult to give anything like a correct and full church history of this section. The principal denominations in the county are Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, and Roman Catholics; each of whom will be noticed.

The first sermon preached in the county was in 1794, by Rev. Mr. Cobbler, appointed to the New River circuit, by the Baltimore conference. This sermon may be regarded as the budding of Methodism in Tazewell county. The seeds sown by this good man fell upon a genial soil, and he had the satisfaction of seeing Jeremiah Witten and Mrs. Sarah Witten, William Witten and his lady, John and Sarah Peery, Elizabeth Greenup, Samuel Forguson, Isabella Forguson, and two colored persons, flock around the Christian standard, determined that Christ should not be forgotten, even in the mountain-gorges of the wild "backwoods."

Thomas Peery gave them a piece of land, and in 1797 they built a meetinghouse about one mile west of Jeffersonville.

Between 1794-7, meetings were generally held at the house of Samuel Forguson, near the present seat of justice. Before 1794, prayer-meeting was the only form of worship practiced: this seems to have been coexistent with the earliest settlement. The march of Methodism has been steadily onward; they have, at present, seven churches in regular fellowship.

The first Baptists in the county, were the Scaggs and Hankins. The first sermon preached to them, was by Rev. Simon Cotterel from Russel county, in 1796. Their first meetings were held in private houses, in the Hankins' settlement. The Baptists seem not to have made as rapid progress as the Methodists; as they have now only two regular churches in the county. I have been unable to learn the number of communicants, but understand that it is greater than would be supposed from the number of churches.

The first Presbyterians in the county were William Perry, Samuel Walker, and his wife. Prof. Doak preached the first sermon to them, somewhere about 1798. He was soon followed by Rev. Mr. Crawford, from Washington county. The first church organized was in the Cove, in 1833, which was placed in charge of Rev. Dugald McIntyre, assisted by Rev. Mr. McEwin. This church, from some cause, was suffered to go down, and the Presbyterians were without a regular church till the summer of 1851, when a church was organized at Jeffersonville, and placed in charge of Rev. Mr. Naff. They have one church, and about twenty communicants.

At what time the first Roman Catholics appeared in the county, is not known. Edward Fox, a priest who resided at Wythville, preached the first

sermon to them in a union church at Jeffersonville, in 1842. He continued to preach, at intervals, till the close of the controversy between him, and President Collins of Emory and Henry College. Having been beaten from every position, he quit Wytheville, and consequently the Tazewell catholics were left without a priest. Bishop Whelan coming to this section of the state, took occasion to visit his flock in Tazewell; the Methodists opened their pulpit for him, and in acknowledgment of their kindness, one of his first sentences was not only to insult them, but the house of God. He remarked, he **"felt embarrassed because he was preaching in an unconsecrated house."** President Collins, who had firmly opposed the spread of this doctrine in south-western Virginia, being in the neighborhood, heard of the occurrence and replied to him in a few days. Notwithstanding this, Catholicism began to spread, and preparations were made for building a cathedral, which is now in course of construction.

#### JUDICIARY.

The formation of the county, necessarily caused some derangement in the courts. The magistrates who had been acting under the authority of Wythe county, however, met in May, 1800, and held the first court at the present residence of Col. John B. George. John Ward was elected clerk, and Major Maxwell made sheriff. In the following month the election for county officers came off, and the court was opened at Harvey G. Peery's house. In June the county seat was fixed upon, and Judge Brockenborough held the first circuit court in a court-house built of buckeye logs, for which the county paid ten dollars. Peter Johnson was now appointed to fill the station of resident judge: James Thompson was the first commonwealth's attorney. The Buckeye C. H. was soon converted into a workshop, and a plain frame-house substituted. The court-house is now a substantial brick building. Court days, Wednesday after the fourth Monday of each month.

In connection with this subject, it may be remarked, that a trial for murder has never taken place in this county, and fewer lawsuits, according to the population, occur in our courts than any county in the state.



## CHAPTER XIV.

### LITERARY AND BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS—NEWSPAPERS.

The Jeffersonville Historical Society, is the only literary institution in the county. It was founded August 14th, 1851, through the exertions of H. F. Peery, M. D., and the author. The movement was warmly supported by John Wynn, Thos. Peery, Rees T. Bowen, William Cox, H. R. Bogle, William Barnes, William Henry Maxwell, and other leading gentlemen in the county, who seem to be fully awakened to the necessity of exciting in the community a spirit of literary culture. The following remarks are taken from the Richmond Examiner of 16th January, 1852:

“The recent excitement of railroad subjects in southwestern Virginia, seems to have been the means of calling public attention to the subject of literary culture in this section of the state. The citizens of Tazewell, one of the most isolated counties of the commonwealth, are taking a prominent stand in this cause. The establishment of the Jeffersonville Historical Society, in a wild, mountainous country, would seem to indicate something more of its citizens, as patrons of literature, than has heretofore been supposed to exist. The society numbers already about seventy members, many of whom occupy positions not only of high civil trust, but prominent situations in the literary world.

“One principal object of this society seems to be, to preserve the history of the settlement and Indian wars of the southwestern part of Virginia—to develop its resources, and scatter knowledge among the people. A cabinet, in which will be found specimens from the mineral, vegetable, and animal kingdoms, is attached to the institution. Also, a library containing the principal works which could assist in researches either upon the Indians, who at a former period inhabited this section, their manners and customs, or upon the natural history of the county. The society receives papers upon most subjects which throw light upon the best means of promoting the interests of this section of the state. \* \* \* \* \*

“Whether this society may be able to effect any good, cannot be answered till more time has been allowed for the development of its labors. Certain it is, however, that if the society publish their reports, as they most likely will, and they are read by the people of south-western Virginia, some good must be done.” \* \* \* \* \*

There is a moral influence attending the existence of such associations, which cannot be otherwise than sanitary. The very fact of the existence of such an institution, will incite the surrounding community to prepare themselves to share in its labors. This society embraces most of the prominent farmers in the county, and is likely to stretch its arms out over the respectable of all classes, and indirectly, if not directly, they will become laborers in the association, and thus interested in its prosperity.



Say ten gentlemen are asked to furnish a report upon the natural history of the black perch; ten more upon the culture of the grape-vine; ten more upon the amount of iron ore, and extent of coal-fields; ten more upon the kinds of roads best adapted to our hill country; ten more upon some subject in geology, or mechanics, or agriculture, or botany, or any other subject coming within the range of the institution. What will be the effect? why this—the gentlemen will procure the works which treat of the respective subjects on which they are required to report, and study them. It is readily seen that in a few years, they will become, more or less, familiar with the principal sciences; and as the acquisition of knowledge engenders a want of more, in a few years we shall have a reading population, who will begin to act upon some efficient means of educating the rising generation. Nor is this all, the annual exhibitions or fairs will incite a more lively interest in excelling in agriculture, mechanics, etc. This is too apparent to need elucidation.

A desire to excite this society to a sense of the important work before them and to furnish an index to Tazewell has resulted in this history.

The most important **benevolent** institution is that of the **Independent Order of Oddfellows**, a lodge of whom, was established at Jeffersonville, by G. M., Jas. McCabe, 6th December, 1850. The lodge numbers about forty-five members, and is designated as Floyd Lodge No. 84.

The **Sons of Temperance** have a division, being the one hundred and fifth in the state, which numbers some eighty or ninety members. There is also a division of the "Sons" at Bluestone, and another at Liberty Hill. The former of the three, was established at Jeffersonville in 1848; the second at Bluestone, was established in the summer of 1850; that at Liberty Hill, in 1851. These three divisions have done much good in reforming the people.

A Circle of the Brotherhood of the Union, encircled in the H. F., was established at Jeffersonville 4th July, 1850, and is known as Independence Circle, B. U. (H. F.) C. A. 131-4. This institution numbers about twenty members, and is calculated to do much good in the cause of reform. In the summer of 1850, a lodge of Masons was also established at this place. So there are four secret societies existing in this town, and if their designs be carried out, much good may be expected in the way of social progress.

Their influence is plainly perceivable at Jeffersonville. Few villages or places in the United States present so much good feeling and brotherly love—so much sound morality, and so extensively diffused, or so little suffering. There is less backbiting, wrangling, and ill-will among the people of Jeffersonville, than any village to be found in the state; nor is it a bad feature in the character of our people.

#### NEWSPAPERS.

At the opening of the presidential campaign in 1847, there was not a single democratic press in south-western Virginia. The citizens of Tazewell being mostly democratic, felt the necessity of some organ through which to utter their sentiments, and called loudly for a press. Finally, Dr. H. F. Peery was prevailed on to purchase a second-hand press, then laying idle at

Abingdon. He commenced the publication of the "Jeffersonville Democrat" in August, 1847, and with so much ability and zeal did the worthy editor handle his pen, that the influence of the "Democrat" was felt, to a greater or less degree, throughout south-western Virginia. A new field of labor seemed opened, and the citizens of the county seem to fully appreciate the advantages of a press, and fostered its existence with great care. A spirit of inquiry was stirred up among the people. Education received an impetus; morality and religion began to look up, and when professional duties compelled the editor to relinquish his task, in August, 1850, there was a general murmur of complaint at the fall of the press. So urgent were the appeals of the community to the editor to again divide his labors, that he was compelled to make preparations to start the paper again. While engaged at this, he had an offer from the present editor, which was accepted, and Mr. George F. Holmes, a gentleman of ability, and formerly professor in one of the Virginia institutions of learning, became the proprietor, and in August, 1851, commenced editing the "South-Western Advocate." The paper has a circulation of about three hundred and fifty copies, and with proper caution, might be placed on a firm basis. Among the pioneer editors of south-western Virginia, few will be found to possess the tact which so eminently characterized the editor of the old "Democrat."

## CHAPTER XV.

### MINERALS AND NATURAL CURIOSITIES.

The minerals of this county are both numerous and important. Silver, iron, lead, arsenic, sulphur, salt, niter, gypsum, and large quantities of coal being found. I have several times been asked to examine what was thought to be gold; but have generally found it to be pyrites of iron, and sometimes sulphur.

Some attempt has been made to work a silver mine in Poor valley, about seven miles from Jeffersonville, but it was undertaken by persons unacquainted with mining, and, of course, under such circumstances, we could look for no important results.

There is also silver, but to what extent I cannot say, on a string of ridges north of Clinch river.

Iron is so abundant that it is hard to find a section destitute of it. The best specimen I ever saw, was lately placed in the cabinet of the Jeffersonville Historical Society, by Mr. Rufus Brittain. Ore, of this county, was worked at an early day, by a man named Johnson, which was pronounced to be of a good quality. The ore is, generally, specular and magnetic oxides, and would admit of being worked to advantage.

The mineral wealth of the county, will likely not be known, till there is a greater demand for it. As soon as our lands are impoverished, gypsum will be taken from the earth and scattered over them. And when the demand is sufficient, we shall manufacture large quantities of sulphur. Many saline springs exist, from which salt will be manufactured at no distant day. There is, within four miles of Jeffersonville, on the lands of Mr. Thomas Witten, every indication of a good salt stream. The county has already produced much niter.

Coal exists everywhere, though wood is so plenty that it has not been used as fuel to any extent; hence, no search has been made for it. Bituminous, and, probably, cannel coal, exist in great quantity. The nearest to Jeffersonville, that has yet been discovered, is on the lands of G. W. G. Browne, in Poor valley, about four and a half miles from Jeffersonville. It is generally thought that coal does not exist on the head branches of Clinch river, but I imagine the supposition has no foundation. It has been found below, and in every direction around, and no doubt, exists generally through the county. When shall we have an outlet for this coal?

### NATURAL CURIOSITIES.

There are, in the county, many natural curiosities, such as caves, precipices, bone caverns, etc. A cave, running under Rich mountain, has excited some curiosity. I am informed, by Mr. Thompson, who has explored



it, that it is one of the most magnificent caves in the country, as yet known. The ceiling, in some places, being so high, that the best torch light will not discover it; nor will a stone, thrown from the hand, reach it. A fine stream flows through it, in which fish are said to exist. It is nearly destitute of those rugged cliffs, usually to be found in such places.

During winter, vast numbers of bats (*Oreillard insectivora*) are to be seen; some, fastening themselves to the ceiling, are seized on by others, and these again by others, till they sometimes form lengthy bunches, resembling a swarm of bees after they have pitched. On placing the flame of a candle near them, they set up a piteous cry, which is generally plaintive enough to divert the destroyer's hand. It would be an endless task, to give a description of half the caves to be found in the county. There is much sameness about them. They are, frequently, the receptacle of vast numbers of human bones, of an extraordinary size, and thought to be those of an extinct race, formerly inhabiting this region.

Stalacities\* are usually found in these caves, many of which are beautiful. It is said that a cave, near Liberty Hill, exhibits the prints of human feet, in the solid rock: this may, or may not be true, for I have never had bravery enough to take pleasure in examining caverns. If they are really to be seen, I think they may be accounted for, by supposing that some miner, in search of niter, had entered and left his tracks upon the mould usually to be found in such places. The abundance of iron existing in some kinds of clay, seems to keep the lapidifying, or rock-making process, constantly progressing, so that what were mere tracks in the clay, sixty years ago, may now be impressions in solid rock. In confirmation, I beg to mention the following incident, related to me by Mr. William Thompson, a worthy citizen of the county. In 1805, Mr. Thompson killed a snake, which was thrown in a hollow, or bottom, on a large, exposed stratum of rock. Heavy rains caused the submersion of the rock, and when the water dried up, it was found that the rock was covered several inches in clay. In 1813, or eight years after, the clay was washed off by heavy rains, and behold, there was the serpent, which had become a part of the rock, as may be seen to this day. I ask, if some of our scientific gentlemen had seen this snake, without knowing the circumstances, would they not most likely have pronounced it an antediluvian work? That this conclusion of the present progress of lapidification is true, I offer another example. There are, in the northern part of the county, rocks bearing the impressions of buffalo tracks, too plain to be mistaken.

**Petrifications** constitute no small share of our natural curiosities. I have elsewhere referred to a spring, in the northern part of the county, having the property of petrifying. In the western part of the county, about eighteen miles from Jeffersonville, is a location where great quantities of petrified turtles, snakes, lizards, etc., etc., are found. On the road leading to Abingdon, at what is known as Thompson's Gap, petrified or fossil ducks, frogs, and a variety of other reptiles were found, when grading the road across the mountain. Fossil remains are so abundant that it is useless to

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\* From *stalazo*, to drop. Water, holding lime in solution, drops regularly at one place, and deposits the lime in long rods, often hollow; these are called stalactites.

attempt to describe them. At Maiden Spring, on the lands of the Messrs. Bowens, are limestone rocks containing great quantities of fishes. I have in my possession the major part of a fish much resembling a dolphin, which is pure flint of hardest texture.

While searching for Indian paintings on Paint Lick mountain, in company with Col. Rees T. Bowen, we discovered a thin stratum of Medina sandstone, composed almost entirely of fossil fucoids. The larger and less solid parts of the stems are not so well preserved. We traced the stratum about one and a half miles, along the mountain, and know not how much farther it may extend. I suppose the stratum to be about two hundred feet below the surface, with an inclination of  $60^{\circ}$ . It can be reached only by entering the clefts of the mountain. Myself and the Col. were fatigued, and accidentally sat down to rest near a cleft from which a few fragments of the rock had broken, and rolled down the mountain side. The discovery of a small piece, led us into the search; specimens of this rock may be seen in the cabinet of the Historical Society. As I have been often asked to account for this collection of fucoids, perhaps the most remarkable in the world, I beg to offer the following remarks, premising, that as I am not writing for the information of geologists in particular, I shall avoid technicalities:

**Fucoides Harlani** is only one species of the family **Algea**. It occurs almost invariably in, and is, therefore, a type of, Medina sandstone. The stratum here referred to, is found upon the ridge of the Alleghany or Appalachian chain of mountains during their whole course, and even further than these extend. It is to be found in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, N. Carolina, Georgia, and many other sections remote from this chain of mountains.

Let us suppose that at a remote period, the surface of the earth was nearly level, and, as is most likely true, the sea covered the continent, and that the **Fucoides Harlani**, which is a native of the sea (hence its common name, seaweed), was beaten down by the force of the waves, or dying, became specifically too heavy to keep upon the surface. It was then deposited on the bottom of the sea, and other matter depositing itself over this, it became lapidified; and upon the lapidification of other strata, in the course of a long series of years, the **Fucoides Harlani** became an under stratum; and hence we find it now deep in the bowels of the earth. Then, the same convulsion of nature which caused the upheaving of the mountains, raised this stratum to its present elevated position, which is about 1400 feet above the bed of the Clinch river.



## CHAPTER XVI.

### WATERS.

The waters of Tazewell are both numerous, and of fine quality. White, blue, red, salt, sweet and warm sulphur springs; chalybeate, iodureted, carbonated, alum, lime, and freestone springs are abundant. Perhaps no county in the state exhibits such a variety of waters as this; yet so little has been done to inform the valetudinarian of our mineral waters, that they are almost a useless appendage to our county. In truth, mineral waters are so common, that it excites no interest to speak of them. Only a few of our springs have been analyzed, a circumstance to be regretted.

The Tazewell White Sulphur springs, now owned by Thos. H. Gillespie, are four miles west of Jeffersonville. Those wishing to spend a season in retirement, can find no more suitable place than at the Tazewell White Sulphur. When I say **retirement**, I do not mean that they will see no one else, or never hear the enlivening ring of the violin, for a considerable number are to be found here every season; the dance is assumed at the pleasure of the company; in fact, most amusements usually found at watering-places, are here offered to the visitor. But the visitors are mostly ladies and gentlemen from the adjoining counties, who are seeking to restore lost health, rather than to find pleasure. The little expense, the good fare, the beauty of the mountain scenery, the purity and salubrity of the air, the excellent quality of the water, and conveniences of the establishment, render it at once attractive to the valetudinarian.

Six miles east of Jeffersonville, are Taylor's springs. Here, as at the Holston springs, are a variety of waters; six kinds, clearly different, rise from as many springs within a few feet of each other.

There is a spring in Baptist valley, about eighteen miles west of the C. H., belonging to Mr. Spotts, somewhat impregnated with alum. When I examined this spring, it had but a short time before been cleaned out, and had rather an earthy taste—the water is strongly tinctured with iron, a circumstance which has led some to question the existence of alum in it at all. There is, however, a small quantity of alum, yet not enough to render the springs notable.

A spring, said to contain iodine, rises upon the lands of Mr. Crockett, near Jeffersonville.

A sweet spring, without any trace of sulphur, but containing much iron, breaks out from the south side of Clinch mountains, in the Poor valley; but as few know even its location, its medicinal properties have not been properly tested. It is known to be highly cathartic, and my guide to its location, declares it cured him of dropsy when the physicians failed. It was a very cold day in winter, and the snow falling fast, when I visited it, so my observations were imperfect.



Springs slightly salty are so common, that no attention has been paid to them. Their existence might yet prove to be the index to the existence of vast quantities of salt.

I am informed by Mr. Wynn, that a warm spring gushes from the base of Round mountain, in the south-east corner of the county, and that on the summit of the mountain, there is a spot the temperature of which is so high, that snow never lies on it half an hour after its fall, and generally melts while falling.

That kind of water used for culinary and ordinary purposes, is more important, however, to the people of the county, than any other; I mean the common blue limestone. This kind of water is used in all parts of the county, except that which is drained by the Sandy river. This blue limestone water has only one objection: it is rather hard, and is thought by some, to operate to the injury of both the digestive and urinary organs. (See further remarks upon this opinion, in the chapter on General Health.)

The springs usually have a temperature of 45° to 50° Fahr., during the summer, and about the same in winter. The average for a summer and a winter month was 49° Fahr. Except in a few instances, the occurrence of heavy rains, seems to affect the amount of water discharged, slightly. I think that the quantity of lime in our water is, perhaps, less than in some other sections in the south-west. To the taste, no water can excel ours; it is true that when persons formerly in the habit of using free-stone water, commence using ours, it proves pleasantly aperient; this is owing to the presence of magnesia.

#### HEALTH OF TAZEWELL.

This county is not at present so healthy as one would suppose from its character in other respects. This, I imagine, may be easily accounted for. One of the most prominent causes of disease in any mountain country, where disease prevails, will be found to be the want of comfortable buildings. Some are too close—others too open—others want light, and others are too damp. The country being incapable of producing malaria, is, of course, exempt from miasmatic diseases. The only disease worth of particular notice, is what is known among our physicians as typhoid fever, but which will most generally answer to some form of pneumonia. It seems to be generated entirely from exposure, and does not assume a serious form except in inclement seasons.

Here is to be met with a greater variety of diseases than I have anywhere seen. The quality of the water may account for the numerous cases arising from derangement of the digestive apparatus. I know that my position will be disputed by those who have cherished, from their cradles, the idea that no waters are so healthy as those of the mountains; yet, this should not prevent me from stating my opinions, and the reasons why I entertain them.

There are living in the town of Jeffersonville, five physicians, who get a reasonable amount of practice; and, so far I have conversed with them, they all declare, that if the diseases arising from the digestive ap-

paratus be discarded, that there will not remain sufficient practice for two of the five. Now what should impair the digestion in this region more than any other, if it be not the water?

That this county, naturally, is superlatively healthy, no one will doubt; and as soon as a little more attention is paid to the laws of life, and the quality of our mountain water, we may expect to see a decided improvement. It is high time that my brethren of the grade-glass and mortar, were investigating this subject.

## CHAPTER XVII.

### MANNERS AND CUSTOMS

Under such a general head, I could say but little for the information of my readers, I shall therefore, introduce several subjects, properly belonging to this place. And I must ask such of the sons and daughters of the noble people whose habits form a theme for my pen, who are either vain or proud, to forgive me for exhibiting their fathers and mothers, in such a light as I necessarily must. I too, am of these people, and hope I am as sensitive of my ancestors, as the vainest or the proudest.

The people of all mountain-countries have some customs peculiarly their own. The same pastoral simplicity which characterizes the people of the Scotch highlands, the mountainous regions of Europe, and the hill country of ancient Judea, may be here clearly traced. The same industry, love for stock, determination to be free, hatred of oppression, pure sentiment, etc., are found here.

#### DRESS OF THE EARLY SETTLERS.

That worn by the men, has already been described; that worn by the women, is well described by Dr. Doddridge, in the words, "linsey coats and bedgowns," which he says "were the universal dress of women in early times," and further suggested "that they would make a strange figure at the present day."

The garments made in Augusta, Botetourt, and other older settlements,, had worn out, and a different material was brought into use. The weed now known among us as wild nettle (*Urtica dioica*), then furnished the material which served to clothe the persons of our sires and dames. It was cut down while yet green, and treated much in the same manner in which flax is now treated. The fibrous bark, with the exception of the shortness of the fibers, seemed to be adapted to the same uses. When this flax, if I may so term it, was prepared, it was mixed with buffalo hair and woven into a substantial cloth, in which the men and women were clothed. It is a true maxim, "necessity is the mother of invention."

#### HOUSE FURNITURE.

"The furniture for the table, for several years after the settlement of this county, consisted of a few pewter dishes, plates, and spoons; but mostly of wooden bowls, trenchers, and noggins. If these last were scarce, gourds and hardshelled squashes, made up the deficiency. Iron pots, knives and forks, were brought from the east, with the salt and iron, on pack-horses."



"These articles of furniture corresponded very well with the articles of diet. 'Hog and hominy,' were proverbial for the dish of which they were the component parts. Johnny-cake and pone were, at the first settlement of the country, the only forms of bread in use for breakfast and dinner. At supper, milk and mush was the standing dish. When milk was not plenty, which was often the case, owing to the scarcity of cattle, or the want of proper pasture for them, the substantial dish of hominy had to supply the place of them; mush was frequently eaten with sweetened water, molasses, bears' oil, or the gravy of fried meat."

"In our whole display of furniture, the delft, china, and silver, were unknown. It did not then, as now, require contributions from the four quarters of the globe, to furnish the breakfast table, viz: the silver from Mexico; the coffee from the West Indies; the tea from China; and the delft and porcelain from Europe or Asia. Yet, a homely fare, and unsightly cabins and furniture, produced a hardy race, who planted the first footsteps of civilization in the immense regions of the west. Inured to hardships, bravery and labor from their early youth, they sustained with manly fortitude the fatigue of the chase, the campaign and scout, and with strong arms 'turned the wilderness into fruitful fields,' and have left to their descendants the rich inheritance of an immense empire, blessed with peace, and wealth, and prosperity."\*

#### THE WEDDING.

A wedding is thus described by Dr. Doddridge, and from what I have seen and can learn, a more faithful picture could not be drawn of a pioneer wedding:

"For a long time after the first settlement of this country, the inhabitants in general married young. There was no distinction of rank, and very little of fortune. On these accounts, the first impression of love, resulted in marriage, and a family establishment cost but little labor, and nothing else.

"A description of a wedding, from beginning to end, will serve to show the manners of our forefathers, and mark the grade of civilization which has succeeded to their rude state of society, in the course of a few years.

"In the first years of the settlement of a country, a wedding engaged the attention of a whole neighborhood; and the frolic was anticipated by old and young, with eager expectation. This is not to be wondered at, when it is told that a wedding was almost the only gathering which was not accompanied with the labor of reaping, log-rolling, building a cabin, or planning some scout or campaign. On the morning of the wedding-day, the groom and his attendants, assembled at the house of his father, for the purpose of reaching the home of his bride by noon, which was the usual time for celebrating the nuptials; and which, for certain reasons, must take place before dinner.

"Let the reader imagine an assemblage of people, without a store, tailor, or mantua-maker, within a hundred miles; and an assemblage of horses,

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\* Doddridge.

without a blacksmith or saddler within an equal distance. The gentlemen dressed in shoe-packs, moccasins, leather breeches, leggins, linsey hunting shirts, and all home-made. The ladies dressed in linsey petticoats, and linsey or linen bedgowns, coarse shoes, stockings, handkerchiefs, and buckskin gloves, if any. If there were any buckles, rings, buttons or ruffles, they were the relics of olden times; family pieces from parents or grandparents. The horses were caparisoned with old saddles, old bridles or halters, and pack-saddles, with a bag or blanket thrown over them: a rope or string as often constituted the girth as a piece of leather.

"The march, in double file, was often interrupted by the narrowness of our mountain paths, as they were called, for we had no roads; and these difficulties were often increased, sometimes by the good, and sometimes by the ill-will of neighbors, by falling trees, and tying grape-vines across the way. Sometimes an ambuscade was formed by the wayside, and an unexpected discharge of several guns took place, so as to cover the wedding company with smoke. Let the reader imagine the scene which followed this discharge; the sudden spring of the horses, the shrieks of the girls, and the chivalrous bustle of their partners to save them from falling. Sometimes, in spite of all that could be done to prevent it, some were thrown to the ground. If a wrist, elbow, or ankle, happened to be sprained, it was tied up with a handkerchief, and little more was said or thought about it.

"The ceremony of the marriage preceded the dinner, which was a substantial backwoods' feast of beef, pork, fowls, and sometimes venison and bear meat, roasted and boiled, with plenty of potatoes, cabbage, and other vegetables. During the dinner, the greatest hilarity always prevailed; although the table might be a large slab of timber, hewed out with a broad-axe, supported by four sticks, set in auger-holes; and the furniture, some old pewter dishes and plates; the rest, wooden bowls and trenchers: a few pewter spoons, much battered about the edges, were to be seen at some tables. The rest were made of horn. If knives were scarce, the deficiency was made up by the scalping knives, which were carried in sheaths, suspended to the belt of the hunting-shirt. Every man carried one of them.

"After dinner the dancing commenced, and generally lasted till the next morning. The figures of the dances were three and four handed reels, or square sets and jigs. The commencement was always a square form, which was followed by what was called jiggling it off; that is two of the four would single out for a jig, and were followed by the remaining couple. The jigs were often accompanied with what was called cutting out; that is, when either of the parties became tired of the dance, on intimation, the place was supplied by some one of the company, without any interruption to the dance. In this way the dance was often continued till the musician was heartily tired of his situation. Toward the latter part of the night, if any of the company, through weariness, attempted to conceal themselves, for the purpose of sleeping, they were hunted up, paraded on the floor, and the fiddler ordered to play 'hang out till to-morrow morning.'

"About nine or ten o'clock, a deputation of young ladies stole off the bride, and put her to bed. In doing this, it frequently happened that they had to ascend a ladder, instead of a pair of stairs, leading from the dining



and ballroom to the loft,\* the floor of which was made of clap-boards, lying loose. This ascent, one might think, would put the bride and her attendants to the blush; but the foot of the ladder was commonly behind the door, which was purposely opened for the occasion, and its rounds, at the inner ends, were well hung with hunting-shirts, dresses, and other articles of clothing. The candles, being on the opposite side of the house, the exit of the bride was noticed but by few.

"This done, a deputation of young men, in like manner, stole off the groom, and placed him snugly by the side of his bride. The dance still continued; and if seats happened to be scarce, as was often the case, every young man, when not engaged in the dance, was obliged to offer his lap, as a seat for one of the girls; and the offer was sure to be accepted. In the midst of this hilarity, the bride and groom were not forgotten. Pretty late in the night, some one would remind the company that the new couple must stand in need of some refreshment: black Betty, which was the name of the bottle, was called for, and sent up the ladder; but sometimes, black Betty did not go alone. I have many times seen as much bread, beef, pork, and cabbage sent along, as would afford a good meal for half a dozen hungry men. The young couple were compelled to eat and drink, more or less, of whatever was offered.

"But to return. It often happened that some neighbors or relations, not being asked to the wedding, took offense; and the mode of revenge, adopted by them on such occasions, was that of cutting off the manes, fore-tops, and tails of the horses of the wedding company.

"On returning to the in-fare, the order of procession, and the race for black Betty, was the same as before. The feasting and dancing often lasted several days, at the end of which, the whole company were so exhausted with loss of sleep, that many days' rest were requisite to fit them to return to their ordinary labors."

I have quoted this account, written by Dr. Dodridge, because nothing could be more correct, and it was beyond my power to tell an original tale so well.

#### HUNTING.

This constituted one of the greatest amusements, and, in some instances, one of the chief employments of the early settlers. The various intrigues of a skillful hunter—such as mimicking a turkey, owl, wolf, deer, etc.—were soon learned, and the eye was taught to catch, at a glance, the faintest impression left upon the earth by any animal. Marks, which would be, by any but a hunter, overlooked, were easily detected. The times, and ground on which deer, elk, etc., fed, were soon learned, and then the important lesson of preventing spells or enchantments by enemies, were studied; for it is a singular fact that all hunters are, more or less, superstitious. Frequently, on leaving home, the wife would throw the ax at her husband, to give him good luck. If he chanced to fail to kill game, his gun was enchanted or spelled, and some old woman shot in effigy—then a silver bullet would be

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\*I have emphasized this word, because, even now, the second stories of some of our most costly mansions are termed "lofts" by the older persons.



run with a needle through it, and shot at her picture. To remove these spells, they would sometimes unbreech their rifles, and lay them in a clear running stream for a certain number of days. If this failed, they would borrow patching from some other hunter, which transferred all the bad luck to the lender, etc.

Game was plenty at the time this county was first settled by the whites, and accordingly, the woods furnished most of the meat. Considerable bear still exists in various parts of the county. Deer are scarce, and elk and buffalo extinct. The elk and buffalo were generally killed at the licks whither they repaired to salt themselves; and even yet, deer licks are watched with profit to the hunter.

Animals were hunted there not merely for their meat, but for their skins and furs. These served to pay for powder, lead, or anything else, being nominally the currency of the country.

#### MANNERS AND CUSTOMS.

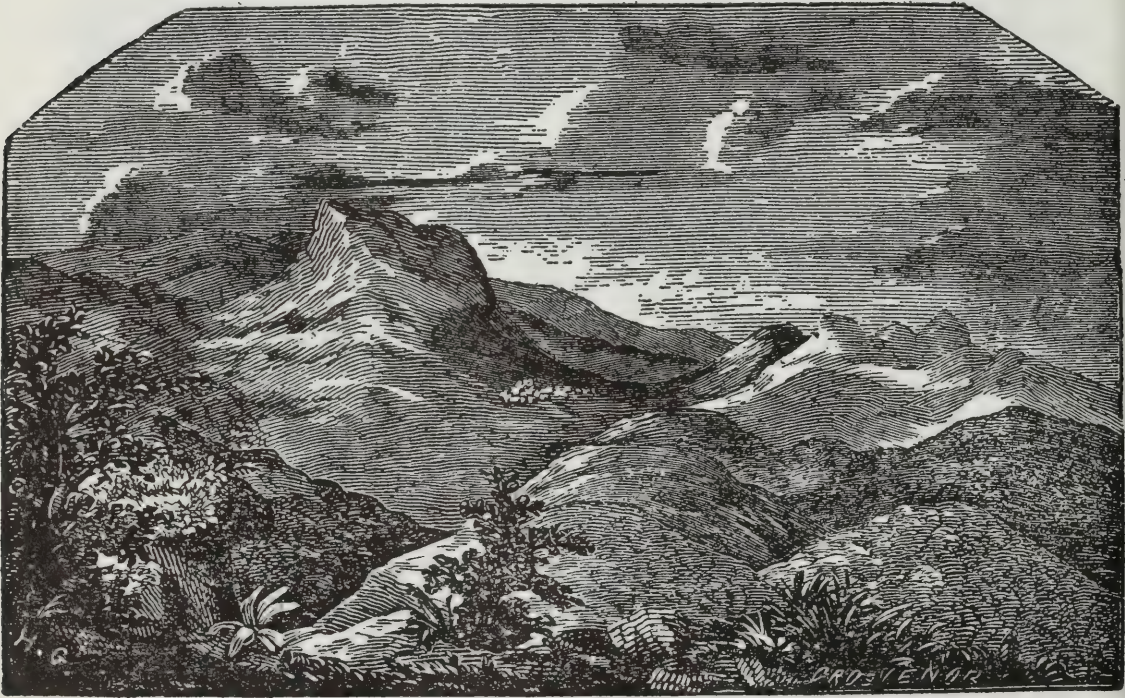
Neither was hunting, the mere pastime, devoid of skill, which it now is. The hunter might be considered somewhat of a meteorologist; he paid particular attention to the winds, rains, snows, and frosts; for almost every change altered the location of game. He knew the cardinal points by the thick bark and moss on the north side of a tree, so that during the darkest and most gloomy night he knew which was the north, and so his home or camp. The natural habits of the deer were well studied; and hence he knew at what times they fed, etc. If, in hunting, he found a deer at feed, he stopped, and though he might be open to it, did not seek to obscure himself, but waited till it raised its head and looked at him. He remained motionless till the deer, satisfied that nothing moving was in sight, again commenced feeding. He then began to advance, if he had the wind of it, and if not he retreated and came up another way, so as to place the deer between himself and the wind. As long as the deer's head was down he continued to advance till he saw it shake the tail. In a moment he was the same motionless object, till it again put down its head. In this way, he would soon approach to within sixty yards, when his unerring rifle did the work of death. It is a curious fact that deer never put their heads to the ground, or raise it, without shaking the tail before so doing.

The quantity of game will be apparent when it is known that Mr. Ebenezer Brewster killed, during his life, upward of twelve hundred bears in this county. He died in the summer of 1850, and this statement occurred in an obituary notice.

## CHAPTER XVIII.

### SCENERY—DIAL ROCK

Dial Rock is one of the three heads of East River mountain, and is about three miles east of Jeffersonville. How it came by its name cannot be accurately determined; though tradition tells that there is, on the rock, a natural sun-dial. I shall not deny its existence, but must own that I was unable to find it when I visited the rock. These rocks are elevated in the air to about the height of fifteen hundred feet above the valley of Clinch river, which flows gently along near the base of the mountain. The ascent to the foot of the cliffs is gentle, and may be easily rode over by such as care more for themselves than their horses. Nothing remarkable exists, to



SCENERY FROM DIAL ROCK.

attract particular attention, till the base of the naked cliffs is reached. These cliffs are from one hundred and fifty to two hundred and fifty feet above the common level of the summit of the mountain; and seem as if some internal commotion had started them from the bowels of the earth to awe and affright the eye that should dare look from their tops.

The first rock to the west being reached, the ascent is begun by climbing its steep and rugged sides, which, owing to the clefts is easily done. When this is done, the eye is involuntarily turned to the east, when a still more



naked rock appears, towering still higher in the air, and looking still more sublime and awful. Passing on over the top of the first rock, the visitor soon finds himself upon the very brink of a cleft about ten feet wide, the sides of which are perpendicular, and not far from one hundred feet deep. This must be passed, or the second rock cannot be gained. Turning now to the left or north, he finds that he may descend to the bottom of this gulf, by means of other irregular clefts breaking into it. This descent begun, and the visitor begins to feel the wild grandeur of the scene around him. Huge rocks, lying on thin scales so loosely that seemingly the slightest blow would sever the props that uphold them, and let them down with a crash, from which nothing could escape, and caverns of all shapes and sizes, filled with darkness impenetrable, seem to stand gaping for the victims of the rocks above, should they give way.

Descending into one of these dark pits, over loose rocks of immense size, from the hollows of which you expect, every moment, to see the head of a rattlesnake hissing and bidding defiance to your further progress, you find yourself soon at the bottom of the first cleft in the mountain; and then the painful and tedious ascent of the second rock begins, after which the visitor imagines all farther troubles are comparatively light. A few yards to the eastward, after the top or summit is gained, will dispel this fond hope, and instead of affording an easy passage, opens to view another cleft still more grand and awful. Here is seen the same wild confusion of rocks (themselves mountains), thrown together, as if nature had, at this place, collected the rubbish of her materials, in mountain-making. This defile must be passed before the third rock can be scaled; the task of which having been accomplished, the visitor finds that on and on, to the east, the cliffs rise higher and higher, and he eagerly hunts a passage of the defile that he may gain the most elevated of this beautiful yet terrific array of rocky monuments. Soon it is found, the third and fourth rocks are passed, and he finds himself, tired and thirsty, upon the summit of the fifth. A basin of clear, ice-cold water invites him to quench his thirst, and proceed to the sixth rock, from the top of which he casts his eye down the beautiful Clinch valley, when lo! beauty indescribable presents itself. Mountains rise above mountains, in endless succession, till far in the smoky distance his vision ceases to distinguish the faint outline of the Cumberland and the Tennessee mountains. Looking to the north, he sees the great Flat-Top, from which others gradually fade into indistinctness, and imagination seems to say, there, there is the valley of the beautiful Ohio—the garden of commerce and industry. To the west rises Morris's Knob, the highest point of Rich mountain, its summit kissing the very clouds, and seeming to bid defiance to the storms of heaven. To the right, rise Paint Lick and Deskins' mountains, and nearly behind them, the rocky peaks of House and Barn mountains, in Russell county. Far in the distance are seen ranges of Clinch mountain and its various spurs. To the left is seen Wolf Creek knob, a continuation of Rich mountain. Close at hand, the rocky sides and top of Elk-horn, and far in the distance, ridges of the Alleghany range. From this beautiful scene the eye is directed down to the valley beneath, when a disposition to shrink back is felt. The visitor now sees himself standing on the pinnacle



of Dial Rock, overhanging the valley, fifteen hundred feet below him. The scene, in the distance, is beautiful beyond description. The scene around him is sublime beyond conception. It is beyond the power of the wildest imagination to picture half of its grandeur.

It is here I felt the disposition to bring the infidel, and ask him, "Is there a God?" The works of nature speak more than ten thousand printed volumes, and though innate, their eloquence is adapted to the comprehension of every tongue.

I have taken the scenery from Dial Rock, as being suited to my purpose, not because there is no view so fine, but because it is well known by persons who have visited the county. Very many such views are to be had. To appreciate the above, and the following, they must be seen.

#### A DAY IN THE MOUNTAINS.

The dawn of day found me on my feet, in the piazza of a friend (with whom I had stopped the previous night, in a beautiful valley, surrounded by lofty mountains), gazing eastward, to watch a rising sun in this region of beauty. The brilliant stars shone brightly in the western sky, while those in the east were growing dim and faint amid the gray beams of light which were shooting up from the hidden sun, and resembling the flitting lights of the icy north made permanent. As the sky became more lighted, the rough outline of the huge mountains became visible, and cast their long shadows far down the valley in which I stood. The bright rays shooting from the morning sun, now fell upon the boughs of the forest-trees which towered above the mountains, giving to the pearly dew-drops suspended from the smaller twigs, the appearance of so many diamonds hung as ornaments on the leafless branches.

"I know of a drop where the diamond now shines,  
Now the blue of the sapphire it gives;  
It trembles—it changes—the azure resigns,  
And the tint of the ruby now lives.  
Anon the deep emerald dwells in its gleam  
'Till the breath of the south-wind goes by;  
When it quivers again, and the flash of its beam  
Pours the topaz-flame swift on the eye.  
Look, look on yon grass-blade all freshly impearl'd,  
There are all of your jewels in one:  
You'll find every wealth-purchased gem in the world  
In the dew-drop that's kissed by the sun."—E. COOK.

A part of the disc of the sun was now seen slowly rising above the summit. At this instant, the scene was beautiful beyond description; the whole top of the mountain seemed in a blaze—a moment and its beauty was lost. Aurora rose brightly above the mountains, casting her gentle beams upon the valley below. In this were many cottages, from the chimneys of which, soft columns of smoke were seen ascending in the clear, still atmosphere,

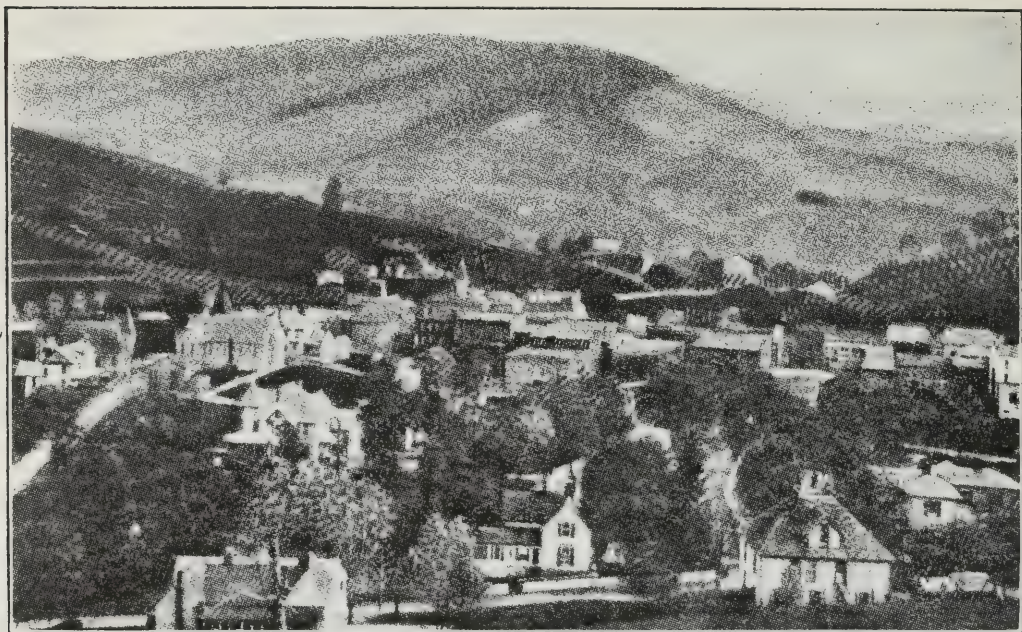
presenting a scene worthy of the most refined pencil-work. Horses, cattle, and sheep, might be seen scattered over the rich meadows, while the merry notes of the cartman, and the deep-toned bay of the fox-hound, and the shrill ring of the huntsman's horn, were heard echoing in a thousand variations, among the glens and gorges of the surrounding mountains. The tender emotions excited by the loveliness of this scene, and their deep impressions were such, as to defy the atheistical reasonings of either Thomas Paine, or of my own insensible heart. Deity was stamped upon everything.

Breakfast being over, I soon found myself upon the road, intending to visit a distant part of the county. But now, the wind had risen, and a mistiness was spreading itself over the mountain-tops. As I rode on, the heavy murmur of the winds in the timber on the mountains, convinced me that there would soon be a change of weather. None but those who have either been at sea and heard an approaching storm, or have listened to the roar of the mountain-blast, can have anything like a correct idea of this awful sound. Soon a vapory cloud was seen enveloping the mountain-summits, and in four hours it was raining in torrents. The little rippling rivulet, was now converted into the roaring mountain-torrent: how different the scene from what it was a few hours before!

Soon the wind changed to the N. E., and it became colder; presently it was in the north, and the white flakes of snow were falling thick and fast. This continued for several hours, when the wind changed to the west and it was clear. The sun was now nearing the western horizon, and casting back his bright beams upon the snow-capped mountains, which looked indescribably grand and imposing. Not a single dark spot was to be seen, but everywhere the same unsullied white mantle was thrown over them, till they looked like vast monuments reared in the air emblematic of purity. Any attempt to describe a mountain in this State, known here as the "Budding Frost," must fall far short of correctly portraying the scene. Nothing but painting, executed in the highest style of art, can give the remotest idea of the original. I have seen something as grand, but nothing as beautiful as a mountain in this state.

In a short time the sun was seen sinking behind the western mountains, and here again was such a view, as would fix the attention of the most unobserving, and on which the artist would dwell with pleasure. The rays of light falling through the sunny crystals on the hill-tops, looked like so many brilliant pearls. A single streak of cloud shot out from behind the mountains, crimsoned with the setting sun, while its edge, or border, seemed belted with electricity itself. Though this scene was viewed from the town of Jeffersonville, where from the bustle of business, few stop to contemplate scenery, I observed crowds gazing with intense interest, and admiring the gorgeousness of a setting sun in a mountain-country.





Bird's Eye View showing the Peak, Tazewell, Va.



Main Street of the town of Tazewell, looking east.



## APPENDIX.

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### TABLES.

TABLE REFERRING TO POPULATION.\*

Persons over 100 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	1
Persons over 90 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	4
Persons over 80 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	18
Persons over 70 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	40
Persons over 60 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	126
Persons over 50 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	214
Persons over 40 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	543
Persons over 30 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	955
Persons over 20 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	1410
Persons over 10 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	2231
Persons under 10 years of age in county, June 1, 1850.....	3330
Slaves in the county.....	1060
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Total, including 56 free negroes.....	9932

MISCELLANEOUS TABLE.

No. of blind persons in the county.....	8
No. of deaf and dumb.....	13
No. of idiots.....	24
No. of paupers.....	24
No. over 20 years of age who can neither read nor write.....	1490
No. of children attending school.....	694
State tax on county.....	\$ 2000
County tax.....	\$ 786
County receives from public fund for school purposes.....	\$ 546
County cost of supporting paupers.....	\$ 605

TABLE SHOWING THE WEALTH OF THE COUNTY.

Value of lands.....	\$3,189,080.00
Value of farming utensils.....	\$ 36,390.00
Value of live stock.....	\$ 517,330.00
Value of agricultural productions.....	\$ 226,579.95
Value of mechanical productions.....	\$ 7,000.00
Value of slave property.....	\$ 530,000.00
Value of stock in trade.....	\$ 85,000.00
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Total wealth of the county.....	\$4,581,379.95

\* The above table has been compiled from the census books for the year 1850. It is the opinion of Mr. William O. Yost, the gentlemanly marshal of the county, that there was, at the time he took the census, very near 11,000 persons in the county. It was his duty, however, to report only such as were in the county on the first of June of that year.

TABLE SHOWING NUMBER ENGAGED IN PROFESSIONS, TRADES.

No. of physicians in the county.....	10
No. of lawyers in the county.....	8
No. of teachers in the county.....	36
No. of merchants in the county.....	22
No. of clerks in the county.....	9
No. of saddlers in the county.....	10
No. of painters in the county.....	1
No. of printers in the county.....	2
No. of hatters in the county.....	2
No. of shoemakers in the county.....	10
No. of brick-masons in the county.....	7
No. of carpenters in the county.....	41
No. of millers in the county.....	9
No. of wagon-makers in the county.....	11
No. of blacksmiths in the county.....	21
No. of tanners in the county.....	6
No. of cabinet makers in the county.....	18
No. of gunsmiths in the county.....	2
No. of tailors in the county.....	8
No. of coopers in the county.....	2
No. of tavern keepers in the county.....	3
No. of barber in the county.....	1
No. of tinner in the county.....	1
No. of watchmaker in the county.....	1
No. of farmers in the county.....	1922

TABLE LIVE STOCK—KINDS AND VALUE.\*

Specified Kinds.	Number	Value.
Horses.....	5,150	\$ 309,000.00
Mules and asses.....	127	\$ 8,890.00
Milch cows.....	4,576	\$ 54,840.00
Working oxen.....	117	\$ 2,340.00
Other cattle.....	10,260	\$ 102,600.00
Sheep.....	19,530	\$ 19,530.00
Swine.....	20,130	\$ 20,130.00
Total value of live stock.....		\$ 517,330.00

TABLE SHOWING VALUE OF LANDS.

Kinds etc.	Amount of each.	Value.
Improved land.....	58,110 acres	\$ 696,320.00
Unimproved.....	220,530 acres	\$ 441,060.00
Unentered or in large surveys.....	1,641,360 acres	\$2,051,700.00
Farming implements†.....	value	\$ 36,390.00
Total am't of land.....		1,920,000 acres \$3,225,470.00

\* There were slaughtered in the county, during the year 1850, animals to the amount of \$38,062.

† I have added the value of farming implements in this table, for want of a more convenient place.



TABLE SHOWING THE PRODUCTIONS OF THE COUNTY AND VALUE\*

Name of Articles.	Amount Raised.	Cash Value.
Indian corn.....	244,430 bush.	\$ 97,772.00
Oats.....	124,710 bush.	\$ 31,177.75
Wheat.....	28,020 bush.	\$ 21,020.00
Rye.....	4,110 bush.	\$ 2,055.00
Irish potatoes.....	2,279 bush.	\$ 1,139.50
Sweet potatoes.....	772 bush.	\$ 386.00
Buckwheat.....	3,108 bush.	\$ 1,864.80
Hay.....	1,824 tons	\$ 18,240.00
Grass seed.....	48 bush.	\$ 192.00
Flax.....	19,350 lbs.	\$ 1,935.00
Maple sugar.....	41,244 lbs.	\$ 4,134.40
Beeswax and honey.....	12,248 lbs.	\$ 1,837.20
Tobacco.....	300 lbs.	\$ 30.00
Butter.....	102,287 lbs.	\$ 10,228.70
Cheese.....	6,006 lbs.	\$ 600.60
Wool.....	25,360 lbs.	\$ 7,608.00
Flax seed.....	910 bush.	\$ 919.00
Value of home manufactures.....		\$ 25,400.00
Total value.....		\$ 226,579.95

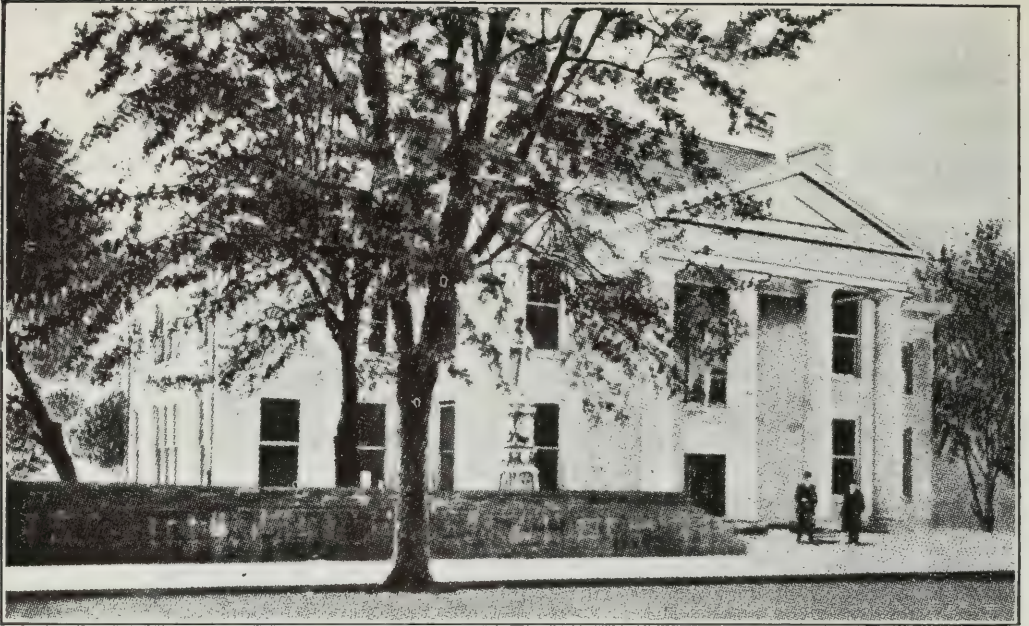
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\* Calculated from the census book. It is highly probable that the actual production is considerably greater than is shown by the table.

BOOK III.

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INDIAN WARS.



Tazewell County Courthouse, Tazewell, Va.



Tazewell High School, Tazewell, Va.



## CHAPTER I.

### INTRODUCTION TO INDIAN WARS OF TAZEWELL.

[Only a small part of this Introduction is copied.]

From what has been said, it is evident that the name of south-western Virginia, three hundred and twenty years ago, was XUALA; and that it was peopled by a hardy race, whose chief subsistence was the game abounding in their dense mountain-forests, and the fishes swimming in their clear mountain streams. De Biedma says, "They were a hospitable race," though poor. He tells us, as also other early writers, that those people living south of the Hiwassee, or Tennessee river, lived in log-houses, daubed with clay, and very comfortable during the winter months; but that during the summer they usually reposed in the open air, by fire, or in thickets, and that much of their time was spent in hunting. And further, it is stated, that those of Xuala were, in addition to the chase, fond of manly exercises and war.

To supply the place of iron instruments of a warlike nature, sharp stones, slings, bows and arrows, and clubs were made and used. The inhabitants of all the continent, and especially of the country south of the Potomac, lived in towns, each of which was furnished with a temple, a burial-place, and a mound, on which stood the house of the Cacique, or chief. We are informed by De Biedma, Hacklyt, De Tonty, La Salle, and others, that this was a general custom, and gave rise to those mounds which are now regarded as burial-places, and which are sometimes opened by the whites, who expect to find in them treasures of value.

This mound building leads to some important conclusions, and reminds us strongly of the Egyptian custom of building pyramids.\* It is highly probable that the sizes of these mounds are an index to the power of the princes who had them built.

The town built by the Xualan, differed a little from that of the more southern Indians, for they seem to have built a town which was at once a town and a fort. The species of fort needed by the natives of Xuala, differed from what would now be needed by a people who had to defend themselves against the arms and engines of the nineteenth century. The traces of many of these forts are now to be seen in south-western Virginia. These cannot be Cherokee forts, though they captured the Xualans, and hence became masters of the country, for they do not build forts in the same manner; beside, the trees growing on some of them, prove, beyond doubt, that they have been evacuated three hundred years. That they were towns

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\* Might not the natives have been originally from Egypt, having been driven thence after embracing the religion of the Hebrews?

as well as forts, is proved by the existence of many fragments of earthenware, etc., found on or around them, and from their shape and general location, they were certainly forts.

They were circular, varying in size from three hundred to six hundred feet in diameter. An embankment of earth was thrown up five or six feet, and, perhaps, this mounted by palisades. A few of these towns or forts, were built of stone, and sometimes trenches surrounded them. A stone fort, of great size, stood in Abb's valley, in Tazewell county, Virginia, and has but lately been removed. A large sassafras, which stood near the center of the walls, might, if proper observation had been made, have given some important chronological information, but which, alas! as is too often the case, has been swept off, as if desirous to obliterate the last vestige of the race of red-men.

The remains of a remarkable fort are to be seen on the lands of Mr. Crockett, near Jeffersonville, having evident traces of trenches, and something like a drawbridge. This fort has been evacuated, judging from the timber on it, over two hundred years.

The roads left by the Indians is another source of information, of which few writers have availed themselves. I beg to refer the reader to a report of a company sent out by the French colony in Louisiana, to search for roads. It is to be found in what is usually called Bienville's report, previously referred to.

The principal Indian trails in Tazewell, led through the Clinch Valley, but after the whites began to settle, and the Indians had removed west, their trails all led from the Ohio river. These were probably made by animals, in the first instance; afterward used by the Indians in their visits to their native hills, and have since become roads under the improving hands of the white man.

One of these trails led up the Indian ridge till opposite the trace fork of Tug river; it then crossed over to that branch, and keeping into the lowest gaps of the hills, led into Abb's valley settlement. Another, now much used by the whites, left the ridge and struck Tug river at the mouth of Clearfork creek; thence up it, till it fell over on a branch emptying into the dry fork of Tug river. It then wound up that stream to its head, and passed through Roark's Gap. This led into the Baptist valley settlement. Another came up the La Visee fork of Sandy river, leading into the settlements in the western part of the county. Those trails which passed through the county, always crossed the mountains at the very lowest gap. At these places they have built small monuments of loose stones, piled up with great exactness on each other. Most of these have suffered from the cupidity of the whites. This custom of building stone pillars, reminds us of the custom so common among the Jews at an early period, of marking places where covenants had been made, by piling up stones.

To recapitulate—the south-western portion of Virginia was visited in 1540, by Hernando De Soto, who found the country occupied by the Xualans. These were afterward conquered by the Cherokees, in whose possession the English found the country. The Cherokees were driven out and the country taken possession of by the whites. The country has been claimed by four

civilized governments, viz: England, France, Spain, and its present owners. The quantity of game seems to have made the country desirable to the Indians, while its pure water, beautiful scenery, and rich soil seem to have captivated the whites.

There is still remaining another vestige of the Indians, which, if closely observed, might throw some light upon this obscure subject. I refer to the vast collections of bones, or human skeletons, some of immense size, deposited in almost every cavern in this section. It is to be earnestly hoped that some one will be curious enough, or be enough interested to examine this trace of Indian existence in ancient Xuala. Time is passing so rapidly, and laying its blighting finger upon material things with such destroying effect, that there does not remain a day for suspended action. "Now or never," must be the watchword of the historian.



## CHAPTER II.

### HISTORY OF THE SHAWANOES.

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## CHAPTER III.

### DEFENSIVE POSITION OF TAZEWELL DURING THE FRONTIER WAR.

In order to appreciate the true situation of the frontiersmen during the long wars which so devastated the settlements, it is essentially necessary that the reader should know the exact position which they occupied, and how much depended upon their own exertions. For this purpose has this chapter been set apart.

Previous to 1776, the settlers were engaged in erecting suitable houses to protect their families from the inclemencies of the weather, as well as to render them more secure from the attacks of the indians. Their lands had to be opened, and consequently, they were much in the forest. As there was an abundance of game, and few domestic animals, their meat was taken mostly from the forest; this likewise took them from home. They were few, and to raise a house, or roll the logs from a field, required the major part of a settlement. This likewise left their families exposed; yet such work was usually executed during the winter months, when the Indians did not visit the settlements. To give further protection to the families of the settlers, in every neighborhood block-houses were, as soon as convenient, erected, to which the families could repair in times of necessity.

After 1776, forts and stations were built, as it became necessary for many of the settlers to join the army. In these forts, and particularly at the stations, a few men were left to defend them. But the extent of country to be defended was so great, and the stations so few, that there was, in reality, but little safety afforded to the families of the settlers.

De Hass has given correct descriptions of block-houses, forts, and stations, to which I beg to refer the reader. There was a fort erected by William Wynn, a strict old Quaker, and one of the best of men, on Wynn's branch; another at Crab orchard, by Thomas Witten, and one at Maiden Spring, by Rees Bowen—two men whose names will be cherished in the memories of the people of Tazewell for ages to come.

There was a station on Linking Shear branch, containing a few men under the command of Capt. John Preston, of Montgomery; another on Bluestone creek, in command of Capt. Robert Crockett of Wythe county,

and another at the present site of the White Sulphur springs, in command of Capt. James Taylor of Montgomery. It is also said, that there was a station in Burk's Garden; I imagine, however, that it was not constructed by order of the Government.

The following persons, citizens of the county, were posted in these forts and stations, viz:

Bailey, John	Burgess, Edward
Bailey, James	Belcher, Robert
Belcher, Joseph	Brewster, Thomas
Chaffin, Christopher	Maxwell, John
Connelly, James	Maxwell, Thomas
Crockett, John	Marrs————(?)
Cotterel, John	Peery, James
Evans, John, Sr.	Pruett, John
Evans, John, Jr.	Thompson, Archibald
Gilbert, Joseph	Witten, James
Godfrey, Absalom	Wynn, Oliver
Hall, William	Wright, Michael
Lusk, David	Ward, John
Lusk, Samuel	Ward, William
Lusley, Robert	Wright, Hezekiah.
Martin, James	

These men were to hold themselves in readiness to act as circumstances might demand. To make them more efficient, spies were employed to hang upon the great trails leading into the settlements from the Ohio. Upon discovering the least sign of Indians, they hurried into the settlements and warned the people to hasten to the forts or stations, as the case might be. They received extra wages for their services, for they were both laborious and important, and also fraught with danger. For such an office the very best men were chosen; for it will be readily seen, that a single faithless spy, might have permitted the Indians to pass unobserved, and committed much havoc among the people, before they could have prepared for defense. But it does not appear that any "spy" failed to give the alarm when possible so to do. They always went two together, and frequently remained out several weeks upon a scout. Great caution was necessary to prevent the Indians from discovering them, hence their beds were usually of leaves, in some thicket commanding a view of the war-path. Wet or dry, day or night, these men were ever on the lookout. The following persons were chosen from the preceding list, to act as spies, viz:

Burgess, Edward	Martin, James
Bailey, James	Maxwell, John
Bailey, John	Wynn, Oliver
Crockett, John	Witten, James

The last of whom, was one of the most sagacious and successful spies to be

found anywhere on the frontier. His name is yet as familiar with the people as if he had lived and occupied a place among them but a day ago.\*

Such as were too old to bear arms in the government service, usually guarded the women, children, and slaves, while cultivating the farms. Tazewell had but a small population at this time, yet from the number engaged in the regular service, we should be led to think otherwise. The following table will convey a good idea of their dispersion over the country, their families, in the meantime, exposed to the horrors of the tomahawk and scalping-knife.

Names.	Where Engaged.	Where Killed.	Wounded.
Bowen, Rees.....	King's Mountain.....	King's Mt.....	.....
Bowling, Jarret.....	.....	.....	.....
Brown, Low.....	Clark's Ex. to Illinois..	.....	.....
Cartmill, James.....	Alamance.....	.....	.....
Dolsberry, Lyles....	Pt. Pleasant, etc.....	.....	.....
Ferguson, Saml.....	Alamance.....	.....	.....
Harrison, Thos.....	Brandywine, German- town and Yorktown	.....	.....
Harper, Jesse.....	.....	.....	.....
Lasly, John.....	Clark's Ex. to Illinois..	.....	.....
Maloney, Archer....	Brandywine and Stony Point.....	.....	.....
McGuire, Nealy ...	Clark's Ex. to Illinois..	.....	.....
Moore, Capt. James†.....	Alamance.....	.....	.....
Peery, William.....	Alamance and Illinois.. Ex. ....	.....	.....
Peery, Thomas.....	Alamance.....	Alamance.....	.....
Peery, John¶.....	Alamance.....	.....	Alamance.....
Stratton, Solom.....	Clark's Ex. to Illinois..	.....	.....
Tomlinson, Isam....	Brandywine, German- town, etc.....	.....	.....

\*James Witten was born January 7th, 1759, in the colony of Maryland, and emigrated to Tazewell with his father, Thomas Witten, in 1773. At this time, though only about fifteen years of age, he was much distinguished as a hunter and woodsman. He was brave and generous to a fault; and was remarkable for decided action even at this early age. He married in 1783, and became at once a conspicuous character in the border war, which had not yet ceased. From 1794 to '96, he was employed as a regular spy. When any duty requiring bravery, firmness, and prudence, had to be performed, James Witten was the man invariably chosen, as he possessed these qualities in an eminent degree. Many incidents of interest are related of him, which should be preserved.

The writer has seen a coat worn by the spy, James Witten. It is now in the possession of William Ed. Perry, a merchant in Tazewell, who is one of his descendants. It is in a splendid state of preservation.—Harman.

†Capt. James Moore was afterward killed by the Indians, in Abb's valley. See History of Moore Family.

¶This man actually received fifty-four saber cuts in this engagement. He was disabled and thrown upon the ground, and as Tarlton's troops passed, each man gave him a cut. His head and arms were literally cut to pieces, yet he recovered, and lived many years to enjoy the freedom which cost him so dearly.



It is a little strange that the frontiers should have furnished so many men for the army, when their absence so greatly exposed their families. But when we reflect that no people felt the horrors of war more sensibly than they did, and that no people are readier to serve the country in the day when aid is needed, than those of mountainous regions, we shall at once have an explanation to their desire, and consequent assistance, in bringing the war to a close. Beside, the people of Tazewell have ever been foremost in defending the country; showing at once that determination to be free, which so eminently characterizes the people of mountainous districts.\*

The reader, by consulting the Map, and learning that during the Indian wars the population did not much exceed five hundred, will see at once that Tazewell county afforded an open field for the depredations of the Indians.

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\*The following list of persons who served in the war of 1812-14, will corroborate the above statement, viz,

Asbury, William	Higginbotham, James	Tabor, Daniel
Bowen, Col. Henry	Higginbotham, Wm.	Thompson, Henry B.
Barns, William	King, Isaac	Vandyke, Charles
Belcher, James	Lusk, David	Vandyke, John
Bostic, Isaac	Peery, Capt. Thomas	Witten, William
Brooks, James	Peery, Jonathan	Wynn, Peter E.
Bainheart, George	Peery, Solomon	Ward, Alexander
Davidson, John	Robertson, David	Wilson, Hugh
Earley, Jeremiah	Stevenson, Matthew	Wynn, Samuel
Franklin, Pleasant	Smith, William	Walls, Joseph
Green, William	Shannon, John	Young, Nathaniel
Gose, Peter	Thompson, Rees B.	Young, Israel

Two companies offered their services to the government to engage in the Mexican war; they were not accepted, however, as a sufficiency of men had already been received. **James Wynn** and **Wesley Hubbard**, however, joined the Washington troops; with these exceptions, Tazewell may be said not to have participated in the war with Mexico.

## CHAPTER IV.

### THE EVANS FAMILY.

John, and Jesse Evans, his son, emigrated from Amherst county, Virginia, near Lynchburg, and settled in Tazewell in 1773. John settled at the Locust bottom; Jesse, at a place now owned by Mr. Buze Harman, about a mile distant from his father's place, and eight miles from the present seat of justice.\*

In 1777 John Evans was taken prisoner, from the Locust bottom, by a band of Shawanoes, and marched off to the Indian towns in the west. From there, he was taken to some of the Canadian towns, from whence he either escaped or was exchanged, and made his way to Philadelphia. His son, hearing of his arrival at Philadelphia, went after him in the spring of '78, and brought him home. He was much exposed, and represented his sufferings as immense. This captivity, exposure, and anxiety of mind, planted the seeds of consumption, and he fell a victim to its ravages in 1801.

In the summer of 1779, Jesse Evans left his house with six or eight hired men, for the purpose of executing some work at a distance from home. As they carried with them various farming implements, their guns were left at the house, where Mrs. Evans was engaged in weaving a piece of cloth. Her oldest daughter was filling quills for her; while the remaining four children were either at play in the garden, or gathering vegetables.

The garden was about sixty yards from the house, and as no sawmills were in existence at that day in this county, slab-boards were put up on the manner called "wattling" for palings. These were some six feet long, and made what is called a close fence. Eight or ten Indians, who lay concealed in a thicket near the garden, silently left their hiding-places, and made their way, unobserved, to the back of the garden; there removing a few boards, they bounded through and commenced the horrid work of killing and scalping the children. The first warning Mrs. Evans had was their screams and cries. She ran to the door, and beheld the sickening scene, with such feelings as only a **mother** can feel.

Mrs. Evans was a stout, athletic woman, and being inured to the hardships of the times, with her to will was to do. She saw plainly that on her exertions alone could one spark of hope be entertained for the life of her "first-born." An unnatural strength seemed to nerve her arm, and she

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\*As I have traced the history of this family beyond the limits of Tazewell county, it may not be improper to state my reasons for doing so. In the first place, every incident connected with their history is well worth the perusal, and hence, worthy the attention of the historian. Secondly, one of the largest and most respectable families in this county have sprung from them, to whom it must be interesting to have recorded the deeds of such worthy ancestors. The last, but not least, motive under which I act, is, that common justice to the memory of brave men requires me to give a sufficiency of their history to unfold their characters.



resolved to defend her surviving child to the last extremity. Rushing into the house she closed the door, which being too small left a crevice, through which in a few seconds an Indian introduced his gun, aiming to pry open the door, and finish the bloody work which had been so fearfully begun. Mrs. Evans had thrown herself against the door to prevent the entrance of the savages, but no sooner did she see the gun-barrel than she seized it, and drew it so far in as to make it an available lever in prying to the door. The Indians threw themselves against the door to force it open, but their efforts were unavailing. The heroic woman stood to her post, well knowing that her life depended upon her own exertions. The Indians now endeavored to wrest the gun from her; in this they likewise failed. Hitherto she had worked in silence; but as she saw no prospect of the Indians relinquishing their object, she began to call loudly for her husband, as if he really were near. It had the desired effect; they let go the gun, and hastily left the house, while Mrs Evans sat quietly down to await a second attack; but the Indians, who had perhaps seen Mr. Evans and his workmen leave the house, feared he might be near, and made off with all speed.

While Mrs. Evans was thus sitting and brooding over the melancholy death of her children, anxious to go to those in the garden, but fearing to leave her surviving one in the house, exposed to a second attack, a man named Goldsby stepped up to the door. Never did manna fall to the hungered Jew more opportunely; yet no sooner did he hear her woeful tale, than he turned his back upon her, and fled as if every tree and bush had been an Indian taking deadly aim at him. Such were his exertions to get to a place of greater safety, that he brought on hemorrhage of the lungs, from which he with much difficulty recovered.

Seeing herself thus left to the mercy of the savages, Mrs Evans took up the gun she had taken from them, and started, with her remaining daughter, to Major John Taylors, about two miles distant, where, tired and frenzied with grief, she arrived in safety. She had not been gone a great while when Mr. Evans returned, and not suspecting anything wrong, he took down a book, and was engaged in its perusal for some time, till finally he became impatient, and started to the garden, where he supposed Mrs Evans was gathering vegetables. What must have been his feelings when he reached the garden, to see four of his children murdered and scalped? Seeing nothing of his wife and eldest daughter, he supposed they had been taken prisoners; he therefore returned quickly to the house, seized his gun, and started for Major Taylor's, to get assistance, and a company to follow on, and try, if possible, to retake them. Frantic with grief, he rushed into the house to tell his tale of woe, when he was caught in the arms of his brave wife. His joy, at finding them, was so great, that he could scarcely contain himself: he wept, then laughed, then thanked God it was no worse. As is common in such cases, in a new country, the neighbors flocked in to know the best or worst, and to offer such aid as lay in their power. They sympathized, as only frontiersmen can sympathize, with the bereaved parents; but the thought of having to bury four children the next morning, was so shocking, and so dreadful to reflect on, that little peace was to be expected for them. Slowly the reluctant hours of night passed away, and a faint gleam of light



became visible in the eastern sky. The joyous warblers were gayly flitting from branch to branch, and caroling their sweetest lays, while the sun rose above the mountain summit, shooting his bright beams on the sparkling dew-drops, which hung like so many diamonds from the green boughs of the mountain shrubbery, giving, altogether, an air of gorgeous beauty, which seemed to deny the truth of the evening's tale. The light clouds, swimming in the eastern atmosphere, brilliantly tinted with the rising sun,

And the gentle murmur of the morning breeze,  
Singing nature's anthem to the forest trees,

seemed to say such horrid work could not be done by beings wearing human form. But alas! while nature teaches naught but love, men teach themselves lessons which call forth her sternest frowns.

A hasty breakfast was prepared, and the men set off to Mr. Evans's house to bury the murdered children. With a heart too full for utterance, the father led the way, as if afraid to look at those little forms for whose happiness he had toiled, and braved the dangers of a frontier life. But a day ago he had dandled them on his knee, and listened to their innocent prattle; they were now monuments of Indian barbarity.

Turning a hill, the fatal garden was instantly painted on the retina of the fond parent's eye, to be as quickly erased by the silent tears which overflowed their fountain, and came trickling down his weather-beaten face.

The party came up on the back of the house; on the front stood the milkhouse, over a spring of clear cold water, when lo! they beheld coming up, as it were, from the very depths of the grave, Mary, a little child only four years old, who had recovered from the stunning blow of the tomahawk, and had been in quest of water at the familiar old spring, around which, but a day before, she had sported in childish glee. The scalp that had been torn from the skull, was hanging hideously over her pale face, which was much besmeared with blood. She stretched out her little arms to meet her father, who rushed to her with all the wild joy of one whose heart beats warm with parental emotions: She had wandered about in the dark from the time she recovered, and it may be, that more than once tried to wake her little sisters, on whose heads the tomahawk had fallen with greater force. This poor, half-murdered little child lived, married, and raised a large family.

After this unfortunate affair, Mr. Evans became dissatisfied, and resolved to emigrate to Tennessee. He did so, and settled in a neighborhood near a fort about fifteen miles from Nashville. During the summer season, the frontiersmen placed their families in forts, as well in Tennessee as in Virginia. In the summer of 1775 or '76 Mr. Evans took his two sons, Robert, a lad of fourteen, and Daniel, an elder son, together with five hired men, and set out to work a piece of corn about two miles from the fort. When they arrived at the field, they stacked their guns, and began their labors: they had not worked long, when they were fired upon by a party of about fifteen Indians. Fortunately, no one was killed; a ball entered Daniel's thigh, which disabled him. The white men started for their guns with all

haste, but seeing that the Indians were likely to get to them as soon as themselves, all turned back but Mr. Evans and his son Robert, who pushed on to the stack. As Mr. Evans was in the act of getting hold of a gun, he was seized by a large Indian, who threw him to the ground, and had already unsheathed his scalping-knife and raised it to give the fatal blow, when Robert seized a gun, and placing it against the Indian's side as he lay upon his father, fired. The ball entered the Indian's heart; the knife fell harmless, and from under his writhing body, Mr. Evans sprung to his feet, and commenced a rapid firing upon the advancing Indians: Robert followed his example, and the Indians were soon brought to a halt. The men who had run off, seeing how affairs stood, turned back, and soon routed the Indians. Daniel was carried to the fort, where he lay for some time in consequence of the wound in his hip.

In the fall, about the time Daniel was getting well, flour became scarce in the fort, and as it could be purchased only at Nashville, a company of five were ordered to start after it. Companies ordered on such excursions were usually chosen by lot, and this time Jesse Evans was allotted to form one of the number. When the horses were ready, Daniel begged to take his father's place. The old man objected, but Daniel succeeded in drawing off his father's attention long enough to mount his horse; putting spurs to him, he was soon out of the old man's reach. About two hundred yards from the fort was a dense canebrake, through which led the Nashville trail. Daniel's maneuvering with his father, had thrown him some thirty yards in the rear; looking ahead, he saw quite a number of guns on either side of the trail. He hallooed to his companions to push through; they however turned about, and tried to gain the fort, but to no purpose, as they were killed to a man. Daniel made his way through, and by a circuitous route reached the fort unhurt. When he examined, he found three bullet-holes through his clothes, and two through his hat near his head. The people in the fort hearing the firing, and the groans, and screams of the dying, and yells of the Indians, rushing out, attacked the Indians. Among those who left the fort, was the boy Robert Evans. In a short time the Indians were scattered and concealed in different parts of the canebrake. A drive, as it is called, was instituted: this was effected by stretching themselves across the canebrake and forming a line which would scour its entire body, so that nothing could escape detection which might be lodged in the brake. In the course of the drive, Robert was separated from the main body, and got a considerable distance ahead. In passing a fallen tree, an Indian sprung from behind it and attempted to shoot him: but before the Indian could get his rifle leveled, Robert had hold of it, and in a second wrenched it from the Indian's grasp. The Indian rushed on Robert, who sprang back and snapped the gun at the Indian's breast. On came the enraged savage, who had by this time drawn his scalping-knife, to engage in one of those close combats so common in Indian warfare; but Robert dropped the gun, and drawing his tomahawk, sent its blade deep into the head of his savage antagonist; a spring in the air, a fall, a groan, and the Indian was dead.

Taking up the gun, Scalping-knife and tomahawk, he soon joined the main body, who were sent to bring forth the dead Indian from the cane-



brake, as a trophy of Robert's valor. This feat, and the death of the Indian whom he shot from his father, had made Robert a conspicuous character, and few expeditions were undertaken, in which he did not participate.

The appearance of about two hundred warriors in the settlement, caused Col. Crawford to raise a company to repel them. He succeeded in raising about one hundred men as volunteers, among whom, were the two Evans boys, Daniel and Robert. When they got to the Tennessee, they found the Indians camped on the opposite side. The men refused to ford the river, which was deep and rapid, before the appearance of daylight. But Col. Crawford saw the necessity of striking the enemy while asleep, accordingly he began to ask for volunteers to follow him over. The first that stepped out was Robert, then several others, among them Daniel, and finally fifty joined him. So small was Robert, and so rapid the stream, that Crawford and another man took him between them to keep the current from washing him off.

When the fifty had crossed, Col. Crawford organized, and made Daniel's fire the signal for the commencement of the battle. They cautiously approached and found the Indians sound asleep. When all were sufficiently near, Daniel leveled his gun at a very large Indian who had made a pillow of the root of a tree, and was wrapped in sweetest slumber, little dreaming, how near was the mortal end. He fired; the Indian rolled over and expired. In a second the camp was lighted up by the glare of the backwoods' rifle; the Indians sprung to their feet only to be shot down. Those who escaped took to the woods, and were no more heard of. Upward of fifty Indians were killed in much less time than it takes to tell the tale.

When Gen. Jackson commenced operations in the south, these boys, who were now able-bodied men, together with John, a younger brother, joined him, and were with him in all his battles. At New Orleans they figured conspicuously. Daniel and Robert had both married, previous to joining Jackson's army. In 1817, Robert died (a poor man), leaving four children. These General Jackson offered to educate, and insisted on the privilege, from the great intimacy which had existed between himself and Robert; but Daniel, who had married wealthy, thought that it would be allowing himself to be outdone by strangers, and accordingly took charge of them himself. Daniel died in 1835. At the last accounts, John, and old Mrs. Evans, their mother, were living.



## CHAPTER V.

### JAMES MOORE AND THE MOORE FAMILY.

#### JAMES MOORE TAKEN PRISONER.

In September, 1784, a party of Indians had entered the present limits of Tazewell, and dividing themselves into small parties to steal horses and to annoy the settlers, three had entered the Abb's valley settlement, in which resided Capt. James Moore and a brother-in-law named John Pogue—(this name is spelled Podge by the writer of the Moore narrative in Howe's History of Virginia). The Indians had been for a day or two lurking round, waiting, and looking for an opportunity to seize horses or murder the settlers. While they are thus waiting, we will turn to a scene in Captain Moore's cabin, and take a look at western life and become somewhat acquainted with the hero of this narrative.

The cabin stood in Abb's valley, near the present residence of William Moore, Esq., son of our hero. It was built of heavy logs, and for the age in which it was built and existed, exhibited some show of comfort. A ladder leading "up stairs" (or as the common name for that apartment of a building still prevalent in the country "loft"), or in other words where a second story would have been sought for, was placed behind the door, on the rounds of which, were hung various articles of clothing, the manufacture of the amiable lady of the house, who, though situated in the wild backwoods, showed that the lessons given by an Augusta mother to her daughter, had not been in vain. At the head of a bed occupying one corner of the room, stood several guns, which showed plainly that war was expected. On a shelf between two beds, were, among other things, a few scattered volumes, of English print, and among them the well-thumbed leaves of a **family Bible**. The old gentleman was conversing with his wife upon the condition of the meal, and was told by her that he would have to send to mill, which was about twelve miles distance from Capt. Moore's residence.

James, Jr., our hero, a lad of fourteen summers, was busily engaged in reading the tale of Valentine and Orson, the vivid characters of which, had taken complete possession of his young and active imagination. So engrossed was he with the history of these brothers, that he continued up, long after the remainder of the family had retired to rest. He had got to the most thrilling part of the narrative where Orson is depicted in his most hideous aspect, when the screaming of the geese reminded him it was bed-time.

He lay down, but his imagination had been carried to that degree of excitement which prevents sound slumber, and he frequently awoke, from imperfect naps, to be continually harassed by the imaginary form of Orson by his side, until sleep forsook his eyes and he suffered his imagination to take its own sway, and work up such demons, in the shape of hairy men, as it might see fit.

The breaking day called up the father, who was an early riser, to prepare for the labors of the season, and to get a bag of corn ready for the mill. As soon as breakfast was had, James, whose mind was still confused with the dread of imaginary hairy men, was sent by his father to get a horse on which to ride to the mill. He started to a waste plantation about two and a half miles distant. We will let Mr. Moore tell a portion himself, which I quote from the Rev. Mr. Brown's narrative inserted in Howe's History of Virginia.

"Notwithstanding this, I had not proceeded more than half the distance to the field, before a sudden dread, or panic, came on me. The appearance of the Indian who took me, was presented to my mind, although at the time I did not think of an Indian, but rather that some wild animal in human shape would devour me. Such was my alarm, that I went on trembling, frequently looking back, expecting to see it. Indeed I would have returned home, but for the fear that with such an excuse, my father would be displeased, and perhaps send me back. I therefore proceeded on till I came near the field, when suddenly three Indians sprung from behind a log, one of whom laid hold of me. Being much alarmed at the time with the apprehension of being devoured, and believing this to be the animal I had dreaded, I screamed with all my might. The Indian who had hold of me, laid his hand on my head, and, in the Indian language, told me to hush. Looking him in the face, and perceiving that it was an Indian, I felt greatly relieved, and spoke out aloud, 'it is an Indian, why need I fear,' and thought to myself, 'all that is in it, is, I will have to go to the Shawnee towns.'

"In this company, there were only three Indians, a father and son, and one other; the former bearing the name of 'Black Wolf,' a middle aged man, of the sternest countenance I ever beheld, about six feet high, having a black beard. The others, I suppose, were about eighteen years of age, and all of the Shawnee tribe. I belonged to the Black Wolf who had captured me: we immediately proceeded to an old cabin, near which were the horses. Here we made a halt, and the old Wolf told me to catch the horses, and gave me some salt for that purpose. My object was to catch one and mount, and make my escape; but suspecting my intention, as often as I would get hold of a horse they would come running up, and thus scare him away. Finding that I could not get a horse for myself, I had no wish, and did not try to catch one for them, and so, after a few efforts, abandoned the attempt. This, I suppose, was about one o'clock in the afternoon.\* The Indians then went into a thicket, where were concealed their kettle and blankets, after which we immediately proceeded on our journey.

"In consequence of the high weeds, green briers, logs, and steep mountainous character of the country, the walking was very laborious, and we traveled that evening only about eight miles. The two younger Indians went before, myself next, and the old Wolf in the rear. If marks were made, he would carefully remove them with his tomahawk. I frequently broke bushes, which he discovered, and shook his tomahawk over my head to let me know the consequence if I did not disist. I would then scratch the

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\*They must have occupied much time in trying to catch the horses, or I am wrongly informed as to the time that James left home.—Bickley.



ground with my feet. This he also discovered, and made me desist, showing me how to set my feet flat, so as not to leave any marks. It then became necessary to cease my efforts to make a trail for others, as they were all immediately detected. In the evening, about sun-down, the old Wolf gave a tremendous war-whoop, and another next morning at sun-rise. These were repeated evening and morning during our whole journey. It was long, loud and shrill, and intended to signify that they had one prisoner. Their custom is to repeat it as frequent as the number of prisoners. It is different from their war-whoop when they have scalps, and in this way it can be known, as far as the whoop is heard, whether they have prisoners or scalps, and also the number.

"But to return; the night was rainy; we lay down in a laurel thicket, without food or fire. Previous to this, the old Wolf had searched me carefully, to see whether I had a knife. After this he tied one end of a leading halter very tightly around my neck, and wrapped the other end around his hand, so as to make it secure, as well as very difficult to get away without awaking him. Notwithstanding my situation was thus dreary, gloomy and distressing, I was not altogether prevented from sleep. Indeed. I suppose few persons were ever more resigned to their fate.

"The next morning we resumed our journey about daybreak, and continued down Tug creek about two miles, until we reached the main ridge of Tug mountain, along which we descended until we came to Maxwell's gap. At this place, the old Wolf went off and brought in a middle-sized Dutch oven, which had been secreted on their former expedition. The carriage of this was assigned to me. At first it was fastened to my back, but after suffering much, I threw it down, saying I would carry it no more. Upon this, the old Wolf placed down his bundle, and told me to carry it, but on finding that I could not lift it, I became more reconciled, took up the oven again,\* and after some days filled it with leaves, and carried it with more ease. We continued on the same ridge the whole of that day, and encamped on it at night. In the evening there came on a rain, and the son of the Black Wolf pulled off my hat. This I resented, struck him, and took it from him. He then showed me by signs with it that he wished to protect his gun-lock from the rain. I then permitted him to have it, and after the rain he returned it.

"For three days we traveled without sustenance of any kind, save some water in which poplar bark had been steeped. On the fourth day we killed a buffalo, took out the paunch, cut it open, rinsed it a little in the water, cut it up, and put it into the kettle, with some pieces of the flesh, and made broth. Of this we drank heartily, without eating any of the meat. After night we made another kettle of broth, yet eat no meat. This is Indian policy after fasting.

"I traveled the whole route barefooted; the consequence of which was, that I had three stone bruises on each foot, and at this time my sufferings were very great. Frequently I would walk over rattlesnakes, but was not permitted to kill any, the Indians considering them their friends.

"Some few days after this, we killed a buffalo that was very fat, and dried as much of the meat as lasted for several days. After this, we killed

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\*There is some ambiguity in this part of the narrative.—Bickley.



deer and buffalo as our wants required, until we reached their towns, near what is now called Chillicothe, in Ohio, just twenty days from the time we set out. We crossed the Ohio between the mouths of Guyandotte and Big Sandy, on a raft made of dry logs, and tied together with grapevines. On the banks of the Sciota we remained one day. Here they made pictures to represent three Indians, and me, their prisoner. Near this place, the old Wolf went off and procured some bullets which he had secreted.

"When we came near the towns, the Indians painted themselves black, but did not paint me. This was an omen of my safety. I was not taken directly to the town, but to the residence of Wolf's half sister, to whom I was sold for an old horse. The reason why I was not taken directly to the town, was, I suppose, first, because it was a time of peace; secondly, that I might be saved from running the gauntlet, which was the case with prisoners taken in war. Shortly after I was sold, my mistress left me entirely alone, for several days, in her wigwam, leaving a kettle of hominy for me to eat. In this solitary situation I first began to pray, and call upon God for mercy and deliverance, and found great relief. Having cast my burden on the Lord, I would rise from my knees, and go off cheerfully. **I had been taught to pray. My father prayed in his family;** and I now found the benefit of the religious instructions I had received.

"On one occasion, while on our journey, I was sent some distance for water. Supposing that I was entirely out of view, I gave vent to my feelings, and wept abundantly. The old Indian, however, had watched me, and noticing the marks of tears on my cheeks, he shook his tomahawk over my head, to let me know I must not do so again. Their object in sending me off was, as I suppose, to see whether I would attempt to escape, as the situation appeared favorable for that purpose. After this, I was no longer fastened with a halter. In about two weeks after I was sold, my mistress sent me, with others, on a hunting excursion. In this we were very unsuccessful. The snow being knee deep, the blanket too short to cover me, and having very little other clothing, my suffering from hunger and cold were intense. Often, after having lain down, and drawn up my feet to get them under the blanket, I became so benumbed that it was with difficulty that I could straighten myself again. Early in the morning, the old Indian would build up a large fire, and make me and the young Indians plunge all over in cold water. This, I think, was a great benefit, as it prevented us from taking cold.

"When we returned from hunting, in the spring, the old man gave me up to Captain Elliot, a trader, from Detroit. But my mistress, on hearing this, became very angry, threatened Elliot, and got me back. Some time in April there was a dance at a town about two miles from where I resided. This I attended in company with the Indian to whom I belonged. Meeting with a French trader from Detroit, by the name of Batest Ariome, who took a fancy to me on account of my resemblance to one of his sons. he bought me for fifty dollars in Indian money.\* Before leaving the dance, I met with a Mr. Sherlock, a trader from Kentucky, who had formerly been a prisoner to the same tribe of Indians, and who had rescued a lad by the

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\*This consisted of silver brooches, crosses, etc.

name of Moffit, who had been captured at the head of Clinch, and whose father was an intimate and particular friend of my father's.\* I requested Mr. Sherlock to write to my father, through Mr. Moffit, informing him of my captivity, and that I had been purchased by a French trader, and was gone to Detroit. This letter, I have reason to believe, father received, and that it gave him the first information of what had become of me.

"Mr. and Mrs. Ariome were to me parents indeed. They treated me like one of their own sons. I ate at their table, and slept with their sons, in a good feather bed. They always gave me good counsel, and advised me (particularly Mrs. Ariome) not to abandon the idea of returning to my friends. I worked on the farm with her sons, and occasionally assisted him in his trading expeditions. We traded at different places, and sometimes went a considerable distance in the country.

"On one of these occasions, four young Indians began to boast of their bravery; and among other things, said that one Indian could whip four white men. This provoked me, and I told them that I could whip all four of them. They immediately attacked me, but Mr. Ariome, hearing the noise, came and took me away. This I considered a kind providence; for the Indians are very unskillful in boxing, and in this manner of fighting, I could easily have whipped all of them; but when they began to find themselves worsted, I expected them to attack me with clubs or some other weapon, and if so, had laid my plans to kill them all with a knife, which I concealed in my belt, mount a fleet horse, which was close at hand, and escape to Detroit.

"It was on one of these trading expeditions, that I first heard of the destruction of father's family. This I learned through a Shawnee Indian, with whom I had been acquainted when I lived with them, and who was one of the party on that occasion. I received this information some time in the summer after it occurred. In the following winter, I learned that my sister Polly had been purchased by Mr. Stogwell, an American by birth, but unfriendly to the American cause. He was a man of bad character—an unfeeling wretch—and treated my sister with great unkindness. At that time he resided a considerable distance from me. When I heard of my sister, I immediately prepared to go and see her; but as it was then in the dead of winter, and the journey would have been attended with great difficulties, on being told, by Mr. S., that he intended to remove to the neighborhood, where I resided in the following spring, I declined it. When I heard that Mr. Stogwell had removed, as was contemplated, I immediately went to see her. I found her in the most abject condition, almost naked, being clothed with only a few dirty and tattered rags, exhibiting to my mind, an object of pity indeed. It is impossible to describe my feelings on that occasion; sorrow and joy were both combined; and I have no doubt the feelings of my sister were similar to my own. On being advised, I applied to the commanding officer at Detroit, informing him of her treatment, with the hope of effecting her release. I went to Mr. Simon Girty, and to Col. McKee the superintendent of the Indians, who had Mr. Stogwell brought to trial to answer to the complaint brought against him. But I failed to procure

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\*Mr. Moffit had then removed to Kentucky, and was still living there.



her release. It was decided however, when an opportunity should occur for our returning to our friends, she should be released without remuneration. This was punctually performed, on application of Mr. Thomas Ivans,\* who had come in search of his sister Martha, already alluded to, who had been purchased from the Indians by some family in the neighborhood, and was, at that time, with a Mr. Donaldson, a worthy and wealthy English farmer, and working for herself.

"All being now at liberty, we made preparations for our journey to our distant friends, and set out, I think, some time in the month of October, 1789; it being a little more than five years from the time of my captivity, and a little more than three years from the time of the captivity of my sister and Martha Ivins. A trading boat coming down the lakes, we obtained a passage, for myself and sister, to the Moravian towns, a distance of about two hundred miles, and on the route to Pittsburgh. There, according to appointment, we met with Mr. Ivins and his sister, the day after our arrival. He had, in the meantime, procured three horses, and we immediately set out for Pittsburgh. Fortunately for us, a party of friendly Indians, from these towns, were about starting on a hunting excursion, and accompanied us for a considerable distance on our route, which was through a wilderness, and the hunting-ground of an unfriendly tribe. On one of the nights, during our journey, we encamped near a large party of these hostile Indians. The next morning four or five of their warriors, painted red, came into our camp. This much alarmed us. They made many inquiries, but did not molest us, which might not have been the case, if we had not been in company with other Indians. After this, nothing occurred, worthy of notice, until we reached Pittsburgh. Probably we would have reached Rockbridge that fall, if Mr. Ivins had not, unfortunately, got his shoulder dislocated. In consequence of this, we remained until spring with an uncle of his, in the vicinity of Pittsburgh. Having expended nearly all his money in traveling, and with the physician, he left his sister and proceeded on with sister Polly and myself, to the house of our uncle, William McPhaethus, about ten miles south-west of Staunton, near the Middle river. He received, from uncle Joseph Moore, the administrator of father's estate, compensation for his services, and afterward returned and brought in his sister."

Mr. Moore finally returned to Tazewell county, and settled on the lands formerly occupied by his father. He raised a numerous and respectable family, one of whom still resides upon the place. Mr. Moore, the subject of this narrative, lived to an advanced age. He died in September, 1851, in the eighty-first year of his age.

#### MASSACRE OF CAPT. JAMES MOORE'S FAMILY.

In July, 1786, a party of forty-seven Indians, of the Shawanoes tribe, again entered Abb's valley. Capt. James Moore usually kept five or six loaded guns in his house, which was a strong log building, and hoped, by the assistance of his wife, who was very active in loading a gun, together with Simpson, a man who lived with him, to be able to repel the attack of of any small party of Indians. Relying on his prowess, he had not sought

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\*This name is spelled wrong, the orthography being Evans.



refuge in a fort, as many of the settlers had; a fact of which the Indians seem to have been aware, from their cutting out the tongues of his horses and cattle, and partially skinning them. It seems they were afraid to attack him openly, and sought rather to drive him to the fort, that they might sack his house.

On the morning of the attack, Capt. Moore, who had previously distinguished himself at Alamance, was at a lick bog, a short distance from his house, salting his horses, of which he had many. William Clark and an Irishman were reaping wheat in front of the house. Mrs. Moore and the family were engaged in the ordinary business of housework. A man, named Simpson, was sick up-stairs.

The two men, who were in the field, at work, saw the Indians coming, in full speed, down the hill, toward Captain Moore's, who had ere this discovered them, and started in a run for the house. He was, however, shot through the body, and died immediately. Two of his children, William and Rebecca, who were returning from the spring, were killed about the same time. The Indians had now approached near the house, and were met by two fierce dogs, which fought manfully to protect the family of their master. After a severe contest, the fiercest one was killed, and the other subdued. I shall again use Mr. Brown's narrative, it being quite authentic.

"The two men who were reaping, hearing the alarm,\* and seeing the house surrounded, fled, and alarmed the settlement. At that time, the nearest family was distant six miles. As soon as the alarm was given, Mrs. Moore and Martha Ivins (who was living in the family) barred the door, but this was of no avail. There was no man in the house, at this time, except John Simpson, the old Englishman, already alluded to, and he was in the loft, sick and in bed. There were five or six guns in the house, but having been shot off the evening before, they were then empty. It was intended to have loaded them after breakfast. Martha Ivins took two and went up stairs where Simpson was, and handing them to him, told him to shoot. He looked up, but had been shot in the head through a crack, and was then near his end. The Indians then proceeded to cut down the door, which they soon effected. During this time, Martha Ivins went to the far end of the house, lifted up a loose plank, and went under the floor, and requested Polly Moore (then eight years of age) who had the youngest child, called Margaret, in her arms (which was crying), to set the child down, and come under. Polly looked at the child, clasped it to her breast, and determined to share its fate. The Indians, having broken into the house, took Mrs. Moore and her children, viz: John, Jane, Polly, and Peggy prisoners, and having taken everything that suited them, they set it and the other buildings on fire, and went away. Martha Ivins remained under the floor a short time, and then came out and hid herself under a log that lay across a branch, not far from the house. The Indians, having tarried a short

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\*They saw the Indians before a gun was fired, and squatted in the grain till the Indians surrounded the house, and then started: Clark ran directly to Davidson's fort: the Irishman to a settlement creek, on Bluestone, about six miles distant. The Irishman got lost, and coming upon a drove of horses, frightened them. The horses, of course, ran home, and he followed.

time, with a view of catching horses, one of them walked across this log, sat down on the end of it, and began to fix his gunlock. Miss Ivins, supposing that she was discovered, and that he was preparing to shoot her, came out and gave herself up. At this he seemed much pleased. They then set out for their towns. Perceiving that John Moore was a boy, weak in body and mind, and unable to travel, they killed him the first day. The babe they took two or three days, but it being fretful, on account of a wound it had received, they dashed its brains out against a tree. They then moved on with haste to their towns. For some time, it was usual to tie, very securely, each of the prisoners at night, and for a warrior to lie beside each of them, with tomahawk in hand, so that in case of pursuit, the prisoners might be speedily dispatched. \* \* \* \*

"Shortly after they reached the towns, Mrs. Moore and her daughter Jane were put to death, being burned and tortured at the stake. This lasted some time, during which she manifested the utmost Christian fortitude, and bore it without a murmur, at intervals conversing with her daughter Polly, and Martha Ivins, and expressing great anxiety for the moment to arrive, when her soul should wing its way to the bosom of its Savior. At length an old squaw, more humane than the rest, dispatched her with a tomahawk."

Polly Moore and Martha Evans eventually reached home, as described in the narrative of James Moore.

Several incidents, in this narrative, have been left out. When the Indians set fire to the house and started, they took from the stable the fine black horse **Yorick**. He was a horse of such a vicious nature, that no one could manage him but Simpson. The Indians had not proceeded far when one mounted him, but soon the horse had him on the ground, and was pawing him to death with his feet; for this purpose a few strokes were sufficient. Another mounted him and was served in like manner. Perfectly wild with rage, a very large Indian mounted him, swearing to ride him or kill him; a few plunges and the Indian was under the feet of the desperate horse, his teeth buried in his flesh, and uttering a scream as if he intended to avenge the death of his master; he had just dispatched the Indian, when another running up, stabbed him, and thus put an end to the conflict. "ALAS! POOR YORICK."

It is said that Mrs. Moore had her body stuck full of lightwood splinters which were fired, and she was thus tortured three days, before she died.

When Martha Evans and Polly Moore were among the French, they fared much worse than when among the Indians. The French had plenty, but were miserly, and seemed to care little for their wants. The Indians had little, but would divide that little to the last particle.

A song, in commemoration of the Moore captivity, is sung by some of the mountaineers to this day, but as it is devoid of poetical merit I omit its insertion. It may be seen in Howe's History of Virginia.



## CHAPTER VI.

### HARMAN AND PEMBERTON FIGHTS—BATTLE BETWEEN THE HARMANS AND SEVEN INDIANS.

In the fall of 1784<sup>1</sup> Henry Harman and his two sons, George and Matthias, and George Draper left the settlement, to engage in a bear hunt on Tug river. They were provided with pack-horses, independent of those used for riding, and on which were to be brought in the game. The country in which their hunt was to take place, was penetrated by the "war-path" leading to, and from the Ohio river; but as it was late in the season they did not expect to meet with Indians.

Arriving at the hunting-grounds in the early part of the evening, they stopped and built their camp; a work executed generally by the old man, who might be said to be particular in having it constructed to his own taste. George and Matthias loaded, and put their guns in order, and started to the woods, to look for sign, and perchance kill a buck for the evening's repast, while Draper busied himself in hobbling and caring for the horses.

In a short time, George returned with the startling intelligence of Indians! He had found a camp but a short distance from their own, in which the partly consumed sticks were still burning. They could not, of course, be at any considerable distance, and might now be concealed near them, watching their every movement. George, while at the camp, had made a rapid search for sign, and found a pair of leggins, which he showed the old man. Now old Mr. Harman, was a type of frontiersmen, in some things, and particularly that remarkable self-possession, which is so often to be met with in new countries, where dangers are ever in the path of the settler. So taking a seat on the ground, he began to interrogate his son on the dimensions, appearances, etc., of the camp. When he had fully satisfied himself, he remarked, that "there must be from five to seven Indians," and that they must pack up and hurry back to the settlement, to prevent, if possible, the Indians from doing mischief; and, said he, "**if we fall in with them, we must fight them.**"

Matthias was immediately called in, and the horses repacked. Mr. Harman and Draper, now began to load their guns, when the old man observing Draper laboring under what is known among hunters as the 'Buck Ague,' being that state of excitement, which causes excessive trembling, remarked to him, "My son, I fear you cannot fight."

The plan of march was now agreed upon, which was, that Mr. Harman and Draper should lead the way, the pack-horses follow them, and Matthias and George, bring up the rear. After they had started, Draper remarked to Mr. H., that he would get ahead, as he could see better than Mr. H., and that he would keep a sharp lookout. It is highly probable

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<sup>1</sup>Nov. 12th, 1788, is the correct date, as shown by reliable documents.



that he was cogitating a plan of escape, as he had not gone far before he declared he saw the Indians, which proved not to be true. Proceeding a short distance further, he suddenly wheeled his horse about, at the same time crying out, "Yonder they are—behind that log:" as a liar is not to be believed, even when he speaks the truth, so Mr. Draper was not believed this time. Mr. Harman rode on, while a large dog, he had with him, ran up to the log and reared himself up on it, showing no signs of the presence of Indians. At this second, a sheet of fire and smoke from the Indians rifles, completely concealed the log from view, for Draper had really spoken the truth.

Before the smoke had cleared away, Mr. Harman and his sons were dismounted, while Draper had fled with all the speed of a swift horse. There were seven of the Indians, only four of whom had guns; the rest being armed with bows and arrows, tomahawks and scalping-knives. As soon as they fired, they rushed on Mr. Harman, who fell back to where his two sons stood ready to meet the Indians.

They immediately surrounded the three white men, who had formed a triangle, each man looking out, or, what would have been, with men enough a hollow square. The old gentleman bid Matthias to reserve his fire, while himself and George fired, wounding, as it would seem, two of the Indians. George was a lame man, from having had white swelling in his childhood, and after firing a few rounds, the Indians noticed his limping, and one who had fired at him, rushed upon him thinking him wounded. George saw the fatal tomahawk raised, and drawing back his gun, prepared to meet it. When the Indian had got within striking distance, George let down upon his head with the gun, which brought him to the ground; he soon recovered, and made at him again, half bent and head foremost, intending, no doubt, to trip him up. But as he got near enough, George sprang up and jumped across him, which brought the Indian to his knees. Feeling for his own knife, and not getting hold of it, he seized the Indian's and plunged it deep into his side. Matthias struck him on the head with a tomahawk, and finished the work with him.

Two Indians had attacked the old man with bows, and were maneuvering around him, to get a clear fire at his left breast. The Harmans, to a man, wore their bullet-pouches on the left side, and with this and his arm he so completely shielded his breast, that the Indians did not fire till they saw the old gentleman's gun nearly loaded again, when one fired on him, and struck his elbow near the joint, cutting one of the principal arteries. In a second more, the fearful string was heard to vibrate, and an arrow entered Mr. Harman's breast and lodged against a rib. He had by this time loaded the gun, and was raising it to his face to shoot one of the Indians, when the stream of blood from the wounded artery flew in the pan, and so soiled his gun that it was impossible to make it fire. Raising the gun, however, had the effect to drive back the Indians, who retreated to where the others stood with their guns empty.

Matthias, who had remained an almost inactive spectator, now asked permission to fire, which the old man granted. The Indian at whom he fired appeared to be the chief, and was standing under a large beech tree. At the

report of the rifle, the Indian fell, throwing his tomahawk high among the limbs of the tree under which he stood.

Seeing two of their number lying dead upon the ground, and two more badly wounded, they immediately made off; passing by Draper, who had left his horse, and concealed himself behind a log.

As soon as the Indians retreated, the old man fell back on the ground exhausted and fainting from loss of blood. The wounded arm being tied up and his face washed in cold water, soon restored him. The first words he uttered were, "We've whipped, give me my pipe." This was furnished him, and he took a whiff, while the boys scalped one of the Indians.

When Draper saw the Indians pass him, he stealthily crept from his hiding-place, and pushed on for the settlement, where he reported the whole party murdered. The people assembled and started soon the following morning to bury them; but they had not gone far before they met Mr. H., and his sons, in too good condition to need burying.

Upon the tree, under which the chief was killed, is roughly carved an Indian, a bow, and a gun, commemorative of the fight. The arrows which were shot into Mr. Harman, are in possession of some of his descendants.

#### PEMBERTON'S FIGHT.

Richard Pemberton, the hero of this battle, lived in the Baptist valley, about five miles from Jeffersonville. In addition to a small farm around his cabin, he cultivated a field, now owned by William O. George, about one and a half miles from his dwelling.

On a Sabbath morning late in August, 1788, he started to his field accompanied by his wife and two children, to see that his fences were not down, and to repair any breach that might have been made. According to the custom of the times, Mr. Pemberton had taken with him his gun, which was his constant companion. After satisfying himself that his crops were safe, the little party started back. They had gone but a few hundred yards, however, when two Indians, armed with bows and arrows, knives, and tomahawks, came yelling toward them at full speed. In an instant the pioneer's gun was leveled and the trigger pulled; it missed fire, and in his hurry to spring the lock again, he broke it, and of course could not fire. Seeing him raise his gun to shoot, caused the Indians to halt, and commence firing arrows at him. Keeping himself between his wife and children and the Indians, he ordered them to get on as fast as possible and try to reach a house at which a Mr. Johnson lived, and where several men were living. This house was some half mile distant, but he hoped to reach it, and save those whom he held dearest—his wife and children. The Indians made every possible attack to separate him from his family, all of which proved vain. They would retreat to a respectful distance, and then come bounding back like so many furies from the regions of indescribable woe. When they came too near, he would raise his gun as if he was really reserving his fire, which would cause them to halt and surround him. But at every attack they shot their arrows into his breast, causing great pain.

For nearly an hour this running fight was kept up; still the blood-thirsty savages pressed on; at last, he was sufficiently near to Johnson's house to be heard, and he raised his powerful voice for succor; he was heard, but no sooner did the men at the house hear the cry of "Indians," than they took to their heels in an opposite direction. At last he arrived at the house, closely pursued by the Indians, and entering after his family, barred up the door, and began to make preparations for acting upon the offensive, when the Indians made a rapid retreat. Pemberton reached his own house the following day, where he resided many years, an eyesore to those who had so ingloriously fled from his assistance. Many arrow points which entered his breast, were never removed, and were carried to the end of life, as the best certificate of his bravery, and devotion to his family.



## CHAPTER VII.

### CAPTIVITY OF THE DAVIDSON FAMILY, AND OTHER MASSACRES.

To tell a tale of Indian barbarity, is at all times painful. Even where the hardy backwoodsman is the victim, our sympathies become aroused for those of our own race, and we ardently wish the tale could have been otherwise told. But I have only learned the extent of my sympathy, when mothers and children have been the suffering party, in a tale told me by a hoary-headed old man, whose breast would heave as though some uncommon emotion was interfering with the natural pulsations of his heart. To witness the pearly drops gathering in his eye, as memory called up the days of yore, and the trembling of his voice, as he recounted the many sufferings of the captive mother or daughter, have never failed to awaken the tenderest sympathies of my soul, and produce a desire to so tell the same tale, that others might be similarly affected. This though, cannot be done—the intonations of the voice cannot be written, nor would it be in proper taste to attempt to throw around a scene, intended for a historical collection, the enchanting colors of language. Beside, there are a variety of tastes to please, and the writer who can give universal satisfaction has yet to write. There is one distinguishing feature, however, which all admire, and I have made this the test by which I have tried my labors, viz: **simple truth**. It is my place to record the **fact**, which may, in course of time, become material for him who delights to dwell on the ideal.

Andrew Davidson left his house, on business of importance, which would keep him from home several days. His horse was ready saddled, and kissing his wife and children, bade them adieu for a season, promising to make all speed and return. Long and anxiously did the kind-hearted mother look at his retiring form. But as he passed from her sight, she turned again to her children, and silently wept over them, as if she felt the desolation of her situation. The family consisted of the three children of Mrs. Davidson, two girls and a boy, all small, and a bound boy and a girl, orphans, whose parents were Broomfields.

The bound children were between seven and ten, and, of course, were but little help to Mrs. Davidson. At the period of which I write, 1789-'90, the women of western Virginia willingly shared in the more laborious part of the household toil, and when their husbands were absent, performed such labors as were before performed by their husbands.

Several days had elapsed since the departure of her husband, when Mrs. Davidson found her doors suddenly darkened by the swarthy forms of several Indians, who, speaking English, told her she must go with them to their towns in the west.

There remained no alternative to her, though her situation was such as almost to prevent the possibility of her performing such a trip. She took

up her youngest child, the Indians taking the others, and left the house to try the realities of Indian captivity, of which she had heard much said. They had not proceeded far when they relieved her of her burden; one of the Indians taking her child, and, unexpectedly to her, carried it on in safety.

The exertions and anxiety of mind undergone by Mrs. Davidson, was the cause of an addition of numbers to the captives. Two hours relaxation from the march, was sufficient rest, in the estimation of the Indians, and again they pushed on, one of the Indians carrying the stranger, which after a day's time, was drowned, on account of apparent or real indisposition.

The Indians who captured Mrs. Davidson, were more humane than she expected. They seemed to pity her, and showed every leniency that could be asked for, under the circumstances.

But, when they arrived at the Indian towns, quite a different fate awaited them. The two girl children were tied to trees, and shot before her eyes. The boy, her son, was given to an old squaw, who, in passing over a river, upset her canoe, and he was drowned. What became of the bound boy and girl was never known.

Mr. Davidson, two years after, it being a time of peace, went to the Shawanoe towns to look for his wife, who had been sold to a French gentleman. Mr. Davidson made inquiries after her, but could learn nothing of her fate. An old Indian, who no doubt pitied him, told him that if any Indian in the town knew of her whereabouts, he could not be told, as they would have to refund the price paid for her in case she had to be given up. But, that if he (Mr. Davidson) would go home, that he would find out where his wife was, and inform him. Mr. Davidson returned, little thinking that the Indian would keep his promise.

In a short time after Mr. Davidson returned, the old Indian conveyed the necessary intelligence to him, and he set out a second time, but now toward Canada, whither he had been informed she was. When he had got into the Canada settlements, he stopped at the house of a wealthy French farmer, to get a meal's victuals, and to inquire the way to some place where he had heard she was.

He noticed a woman passing him, as he entered the house, but merely bowed to her and went in. Asking for his dinner, he seated himself, and was, perhaps, running over in his mind, the chances of finding his wife, when again the woman entered. She laid down her wood, and looked at the stranger steadily for a moment, when she turned to her mistress, and said: **I know that man,** "Well, who is he?" said the French lady. **It is my husband!** Andrew Davidson, I am your wife." Mr. Davidson could scarcely believe his senses. When he last saw her, she was a fine, healthy-looking woman; her hair was black as coal; but now, her head was gray, and she looked many years older than she should have looked. Yet it was her, though he declared nothing but her voice seemed to say she was Rebecca Davidson.

Soon the French gentleman returned, and being a humane man, gave up Rebecca to her husband, also a considerable sum of money, and next morning sent them on their way rejoicing.



## THE HENRY FAMILY MASSACRED.

In May, 1776, John Henry and his family fell victims to savage barbarity. Mr. Henry lived in Thompson's valley, on a plantation now owned by James S. Witten. The circumstances attending this melancholy occurrence, are not sufficiently clear. The simple fact of the massacre is beyond doubt. But the old gentleman who furnished me with the circumstances, showed such marked evidences of a decaying state of the mind, that I fear the tale is not altogether as authentic as we might desire. But impressions of this kind seem to be indelibly written upon memory's tablet, even when other incidents, of a different nature, are forgotten. More than once have I seen this exemplified in conversing with the witnesses to the incidents which have been given.

Mr. Henry had retired to rest with the blessing of a good conscience—the honest man's reward—resting upon his head. After passing a night of quiet rest, he arose and dressed himself to prepare for the labors of the coming day. His wife had also arisen, and was preparing to commence some culinary operation. The children—seven in number—were asleep, little dreaming how soon they were to be startled from the morning's slumber by the sharp crack of an Indian rifle.

The sun had already begun to cast the golden tints of a summer-morning upon the light clouds which floated in the western atmosphere; yet it was not light, and might best be illustrated by saying it was the gray of the morning, when Mr. Henry stepped to the door and unbolted it, with the intention, no doubt, of looking abroad, and yawning in the open air. Stepping in the door, he stretched himself up to inhale the sweet odors of the morning breeze, when a party of Indians, who lay near, fired a gun, and he fell on his face in the yard. He wore on the waistbands of his pantaloons, a large metal button, which must have served as a target to the Indian's gun, as the ball passed directly through it, and into Mr. Henry's body.

The savages rushed forward, no longer fearing the stout arm of Henry, and were soon among the sleeping babes, who had, as yet, scarcely waked from their slumbers. While the Indians were in the house, engaged in their horrible work, Henry rose to his feet, and started for Mr. Martin's, his nearest neighbor. He had seen the Indians pass him, and enter his house, and knowing his inability to assist his wife and children, he thought only of personal safety. Though bleeding, and feeling that his end was nigh, he pressed on for Martin's house, hoping to save Martin's family, if nothing more.

Martin had likewise risen early, intending to start to what is now known as Smyth county, with his family. He had started, and was on the road when he met Henry on his hands and knees, crawling on as if determined to warn others of the presence of the Indians. But, poor man, he was now too weak to act the part of a messenger. Martin learned the circumstance, and placing Henry on a horse, so altered his course as to avoid passing Henry's house, and hurried on to the Cove, about seven miles distant. Here he left Henry, and proceeded to his destination. In a few hours Henry breathed his last, and was buried on the present plantation of William Barnes, Esq. A com-



pany was soon collected and preparations made to follow the Indians, whom it was supposed, had carried off the rest of the family. But when they arrived at the fatal spot, the family, consisting of a wife and six children, were found murdered, scalped, and piled up after the manner of a log heap, on a ridge a short distance from the house. One child was not to be found, a little boy, whom it was supposed had been carried off. A large hole was opened, which became a common grave for the mother and her unoffending children.

The identical spot on which Henry was buried, could not be marked for a number of years—a few years ago, a grave was opened near the supposed place, which accidentally proved to be the very spot on which Henry was buried, which was known from the presence of boards or puncheons, which had been substituted for a coffin, and the identical button through which the fatal ball passed. The button is now in possession of some one in this county.

#### DEATH OF GILBERT

In the latter part of the summer of 1792,\* Maj. Robert Crockett of Wythe county, was informed that a considerable band of Indians had been seen in the settlement on the Clinch, endeavoring to steal horses, but had not at that time succeeded. He immediately raised a company of forty, and went in pursuit of them, thinking it likely that he should fall in with them as they were leaving the settlement with their booty.

He found their trail, over which they had but a short time passed, and having no doubt of the route which they would take, concluded that it would be an easy matter to come up with them that night. Being short of provisions, he stopped and ordered the men to separate in pairs, and try to kill a few deer. They were to hunt but two hours when the march was to be resumed.

Joseph Gilbert, and Samuel Lusk, acting as spies, were ordered to keep on and carefully note every sign, and in case they found the Indians, to return and give information. These two men were noted spies, and had often served together. They continued on the trail for about an hour, when they came upon a lick at which the Indians, who were also in need of provisions, lay concealed, waiting for the deer or elk which frequented it.

The Indians fired, missing Gilbert but wounding Lusk in the hand. Gilbert turned to run, and had made off a few yards, when Lusk called to him to return and save him, if possible. The affectionate tone in which this appeal was uttered, fired the manly heart of Gilbert, who turned about and shot the nearest Indian, who fell upon the spot. The Indians closed in upon him as he stood over the body of Lusk, who had fainted from the loss of blood, but dropping his gun, he drew his heavy hunting-knife, and fell to

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\*I say, that this circumstance took place in the latter part of the summer, not because I was so informed, but from circumstances equally conclusive. The date furnished me was simply 1792, but it will be seen that the Indians were engaged in catching the young of the otter (*Lutra vulgaris*), which do not bring forth their young, till late in the summer.—(See Goldsmith and American Zoologist).

upon the naked bodies of his enemies with such spirit, that the Indians no longer dared to approach within reach of his arm. Keeping out of his reach, they began to hurl their tomahawks at him with such force and accuracy, that he soon lay dead on the earth by the side of his now reviving companion. The wounded hand of Lusk was immediately cared for by the Indians, who after scalping Gilbert, commenced a rapid march for the Ohio. The firing was too far off to give Maj. Crockett any warning of what was going on; but when the two hours had expired, he took up the line of march and followed on after his spies. When they arrived at the lick, they found the body of Gilbert, and pushed on with all possible speed, after burying him near the bank of the creek which now bears his name, but could not come up with the Indians.

The Indians told Lusk, whom they took prisoner, and who returned in a short time, that if Maj. Crockett had not stopped to hunt, he must have cut them to pieces, as they were, but a few moments before they came to the lick, engaged in catching young otters, their arms in the meantime lying on a little knoll several rods from them.

#### MURDER OF WILLIAM WHITLEY.

William Whitley lived in Baptist valley, and had been out on a bear hunt. He came home, and finding that a choice dog was gone, started the following morning to look for him. The day passed off and he did not return. His family became uneasy, and a company started out to hunt for him. They had not gone far, however, when they met a man named Scaggs, who had passed a murdered man at the mouth of Dick's Creek. The company pushed on and identified the man to be Whitley. He was dreadfully mutilated—his bowels torn out and stretched upon the bushes, his heart in one place, and liver in another. A hole was opened, and the fragments gathered up and interred. This happened in 1786.

#### MOFFIT'S CHILDREN CAPTURED.

Capt. Moffit lived near Clinch river, on the plantation now owned by Kiah Harman. Two of his children were attending to a sugar camp, when they were captured and taken off to the Indians towns in the west. Whether the boys ever got back is unknown, as Captain Moffit soon afterward moved to Kentucky, where some of his descendants still reside.

#### MASSACRE OF THE ROARK FAMILY.

James Roark lived at the gap of the dividing ridge, between the waters of the Clinch and Sandy rivers, through which passed the Dry Fork road, and which has since been known as Roark's Gap. Early in 1789, a band of Shawanoe Indians left their homes in the west, and ascending the Dry fork, fell upon the defenseless family of Mr. Roark, and killed his wife and several children. Two sons and Mr. Roark were from home, and it may be, thus



saved their own lives, as the Indians were rather numerous to have been beaten off by them, even if they had been at home.

This is the only instance that I have met with, of the Indians visiting the settlements of Tazewell before the winter had clearly broken. There was a heavy snow upon the ground at this time.

From this time forward, the Roarks became the deadly enemies of the Indians, and sought them, even beyond the limits of the county. Mr. Roark and one of his sons (John), were afterward killed in a battle, fought at what was then known as the Station bottom, within the present limits of Floyd county, Kentucky.

#### RAY'S FAMILY KILLED.

I have been unable to learn anything of the particulars of this occurrence, more than the bare fact, that Joseph Ray and his family were killed by the Indians, on Indian Creek, in 1788 or '9. It is from this circumstance that Indian Creek has taken its name.

#### DANIEL HARMAN KILLED.

Daniel Harman left his house, on the head of Clinch, on a fine morning in the fall of 1791, for the purpose of killing a deer. Where he went, for that purpose, is not known, but having done so, he started for home with the deer fastened to the cantle of his saddle. Harman was a great hunter, and owned a choice rifle, remarkable for the beauty of its finish, and the superior structure of its triggers, which were, as usual, of the double kind. So strong was the spring of these, that when sprung, the noise might be heard for a considerable distance. He was riding a large horse, fleet, and spirited, and had got within a mile of home, and was passing through a bottom, near the present residence, and on the lands of Mr. William O. George, when suddenly a party of Indians sprang from behind a log, and fired on him. He was unhurt, and putting spurs to his horse, away he went through the heavy timber, forgetting all other danger, in his precarious situation. On he went, but his horse, passing too near a tree, struck the rider's knee, breaking his leg, and throwing him from his horse. In a few minutes the savages were upon him, and with their tomahawks, soon put an end to his sufferings. The horse continued his flight till he got to the house, at which were several of the neighbors, who immediately went to look after Harman. Passing near the Indians, they heard the click of Harman's well-known trigger. A panic struck the men, and running in zigzag lines, they made a rapid retreat, leaving the Indians to silently retrace their steps from the settlement.

#### DIALS AND THOMAS KILLED.

On the 11th of April, 1786, Matthias Harman and Benjamin Thomas, returning from a spying expedition, stopped at John Peery's where lived a man, named Dials, who kept liquor for sale. The three (Harman, Thomas, and Dials) were soon under its influence, and the two who had just returned



from the woods, being hungry, asked Mrs. Dials for dinner, which she promised to furnish if they would get some wood with which to cook it. Dials and Thomas started for that purpose, leaving Harman at the house. When they got to the mouth of the lane, which was about two hundred yards from the house, they were fired upon by a party of six or seven Indians. Three of the balls entered Dial's body, who fled toward the house, and a warrior after him. The Indian pressed him so close, that in catching at him, he succeeded in drawing Dial's shirt from his pantaloons. The Indian, finding that there were men at the house, gave up the chase and joined his companions at the mouth of the lane. Dials fell against the chimney corner and died in a few hours.

When the Indians fired, it seems that only one attempted to shoot Thomas, and he was so close that Thomas struck up his gun as he fired, and the ball entered an oak high above his head. He was, however, knocked down with a war-club, by another Indian, scalped, and left for dead. Harman, who was getting boozy enough to feel brave, ran out, mounted his horse and pursued the Indians a short distance, challenging them to stop and fight. This they declined, and made off as rapidly as possible.

Thomas was left on the battle-ground till next morning, when William Wynn found him, and took him to his fort, where he survived seven days. It seems a little strange that a wounded man should be left out all night; but he was supposed to be dead, and it was not necessary to disturb him till assistance could be got to bury him; and this could not be done sooner than the following day. Within the sound of one's voice, several hundred might now be collected on the spot in a few hours, but this is the year of our Lord 1852.

#### CAPTURE AND MASSACRE OF THE ENGLISH FAMILY.

In the spring of 1787, a small company of Shawanoe Indians entered Burk's Garden, through Wolf creek Gap, and attacked the family of Thomas English, who, at the time, resided upon the plantation now owned by John Thompson. Mr. English being absent, the Indians easily succeeded in taking Mrs. English and her children prisoners. Not long after the Indians had left the house, Mr. English returned, and, as he was passionately devoted to his family, made every possible exertion to get a company to go in pursuit of the Indians. His movements were so rapid, that by sunset, the same day, he and his party were fairly in pursuit. Night came on; but still the frantic husband and his brave companions pushed on; They came up with the Indians at about eleven o'clock at night. One of the men, named Thomas Maxwell, had on a white hunting-shirt, which English desired him to pull off; telling him that he would become a mark for the Indians rifles. He refused to do so, and declared his willingness to die. As soon as the Indians found that the whites were in pursuit, they quickened their pace. English, who had been a prisoner among them, and speaking their language, bantered them to stop and fight him; all to no purpose, however, for as soon as they entered Maxwell's Gap they charged the Indians, who fired in return, upon the whites, doing no injury, however, to any except to Maxwell,

whose white hunting-shirt had furnished a target amid the surrounding darkness. Hence the name of the gap in which this scene transpired.

The Indians, finding themselves pressed, killed one child, scalped another, and also Mrs. English.

Mrs. English and her mangled child were brought back to William Wynn's fort, where they received such attendance as was necessary. The child died the next day, but Mrs. English recovered, and raised a small family afterward.

#### JOHN DAVIDSON KILLED.

At what precise time this occurrence took place I have not been able to learn. It is supposed to have occurred sometime in 1789-'90. Mr. Davidson was on his way home from a trip to Rockingham county, whither he had been on business, and had got as far back as to where John D. Peery now lives when he was killed by a band of Indians. The circumstances of his murder, were told to some prisoners who had been taken from this county, and who were then among the Indians. It seems that Mr. Davidson had stopped at an old cabin to feed his horse and rest himself, when the Indians fired on him. The Indians say, a white man was with them, and that they found in his saddlebags a considerable sum of specie.

A few days after his son, Col. Davidson, became uneasy on account of his absence, and raising a small company went in search of him. Luckily, when they got to the cabin, they found a hatband, which, being of peculiar structure, was recognized as that worn by Mr. Davidson. After considerable search, his body was found stripped of clothing, and somewhat disfigured by birds.

As the Indians had been too long gone to be overtaken, Mr. Davidson was taken home and buried.

#### SKIRMISH AT THE ISLANDS OF GUYANDOTTE.

The Indians, in visiting the frontier settlements, had several objects in view; among which horse-stealing was an important one. It is true, that the Indians rarely failed to kill the whites when suitable opportunities were offered, but at the same time, it must be acknowledged that a fine horse was valued nearly as much as a scalp. And it was not unusual that the Indians spared the life of a few persons to get a drove of horses for the Canada markets. Companies starting on a horse-stealing expedition, were usually larger and better provided with provisions than the predatory bands which killed, or carried into captivity, the first settlers or their families.

Such a company made a descent upon the settlement of Bluestone, and on the head of Clinch in 1790, and after collecting about eighty horses, started for their towns in the west. A hunter came upon their camp on the first night, which was but a short distance from the settlement, and hastened to give the alarm at the forts and stations. A large company from Bluestone, and another from the head of Clinch, were ready to go in pursuit by twelve o'clock the next day. They made forced marches, and came up with them

about one o'clock at night, at what is called the Islands of Guyandotte. Some of the whites were for attacking them immediately, and others wished to wait till morning, when they might see. While thus in parley, the Indians in the meantime apparently preparing for some movement, a horse neighed; in a moment a fire was opened upon them, but to no effect. The Indians raised a yell, secured a few of the horses and fled, leaving a good breakfast, and several dozen pairs of moccasins to be taken home as trophies by the whites. The breakfast of bears' meat and turkey, was consumed by the whites, whose appetites were too keen to suffer themselves to enter into speculation as to the probable nicety of their runaway cooks.



## CHAPTER VIII.

### MOTIVES FOR WAR ON THE PART OF THE INDIANS.

It is a melancholy fact, which cannot be denied, that almost every American—every man, who has any idea of the principles of abstract justice—must, and generally does, acknowledge that the Indians have been badly treated, and have ever had sufficient cause for making war upon the whites. Though the whites may not have made the first assault directly, yet they did indirectly. They came to their shores from countries where nations fought for conquest; and conquest was the avowed object of all the expeditions of discovery, from the time of the **Genoese** navigator to that of Raleigh.

Yes, they came as friends, but claimed the privilege of taking from the poor native, everything which he possessed if found valuable. A few valueless beads were given to the simple native in exchange for fortunes that princes might envy. The whites made settlements upon the lands of these people, and even tried to subject them to the chains of bondage; and when opposed by these **natural republicans**—fired by a patriotic love of country, home, and the graves of their ancestors—war! war to the knife, was opened upon them.

These people possessed sagacity enough to see, that a final obliteration of their race must be the result, and accordingly took such steps as their savage nature suggested, to prevent the catastrophe.

They waged a cruel war—which was returned with as much or more cruelty by the whites. The Indians waged a war for home—for wives—children—the tombs of their fathers, and their hunting-grounds. The cruel manner in which the whites were sometimes killed, did not justify a Christian people to wage a similar war, and butcher their victims in a like manner.

In most atrocities, in early warfare, by the Indians, the cause came indirectly from the whites, who kept their wigwams in a state of riot by intoxicating liquors, of the excitement of which, the Indian as well as the white-man was fond; and when under its terrifying influence the Indian committed a depredation, the white-man was sure to repay it with a vengeance calculated to inflame the already over-excited resentment of the injured and insulted child of nature. All acknowledged that before the year 1492, the Indians owned every foot of land from the North Sea, to Cape Horn, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean; and that now, they do not own a foot which can be called their own. It will be said that the lands were purchased from the Indians: I answer by asking, What equivalent did they receive? they did not receive the value of a grain of wheat to the acre. Would the sale be a valid one in an American court of justice? No, the truth is, that the principle on which this land was bought, was to blind the eyes of the world, and did not show any desire on the part of our government, or the governments of Great Britain or Spain, to give the ignorant red-man

a fair valuation of his lands. The sum required to do this, was forty-eight billions of dollars, or forty-eight thousand millions—a sum greater than all Europe was ever able to pay. For the ten or twenty millions paid the Indians, the whites have received seven fold from them in the shape of exchanges for valueless beads, etc.

It is said by a wise philosopher, that “intellect is universal in its application, it may become the handmaid of any of the faculties.” In this instance it seems to have been the instrument by which the base passion of avarice sought satiation. And so the Indians now feel: in illustration I may be excused for here introducing a speech delivered at Fort Wayne in 1803, by an Indian chief, perhaps Laulewasikaw, the notorious prophet and brother to Tecumseh, the Tippecanoe warrior.

“The Master of Life,” said he, “who was himself an Indian, made the Shawanoes before any other of the human race; and they sprang from his brain; he gave them all the knowledge he himself possessed, and placed them upon the great island, and all the other red people descended from the Shawanoes. He made the French and English out of his breast, the Dutch out of his feet, and the Long-knives (Virginians) out of his hands. All these inferior races of men he made white and placed them beyond the stinking lake (Atlantic Ocean). The Shawanoes continued for many ages to be masters of the continent, using the knowledge they had received from the Great Spirit in such a manner as to be pleasing to Him, and to secure their own happiness. In a great length of time, however, they became corrupt, and the Master of Life told them he would take away from them the knowledge which they possessed, and give it to the white people, to be restored when, by a return to good principles they should deserve it. Many ages after that, they saw something white approaching **their shores**; at first they took it for a great bird, but they soon found it to be a monstrous canoe, filled with those who had got the knowledge which belonged to the Shawanoes. After these white people landed, **they were not content with having the knowledge which belonged to the Shawanoes, but they usurped their lands also**: they pretended indeed to have purchased these lands; but the very goods they gave for them, were more the property of the Indians than the white people, because the knowledge which enabled them to manufacture these goods, actually blonged to the Shawanoes: but these things will soon have an end. The Master of Life is about to restore to the Shawanoes both their knowledge and their rights, and he will trample the Long-knives under his feet.”\*

Tecumseh said to Gen. Harrison that, “the Americans had driven the Indians from the sea-coast, and would soon push them into the lakes,” and that he as one was, “resolutely determined to take a stand, and prevent, if possible, the farther encroachment of the whites upon the Indian lands.”†

It was this idea of knowledge and Christianity, being the instruments of torture and oppression, that drew from the lips of the St. Domingo chief, **Hautey**, the memorable remark which has portrayed so much truth in so

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\*Life of Tecumseh.

†Dawson.

‡Las Casas, in an article describing the cruelties of his countrymen in the New World, and quoted by Prescott in his conquest of Mexico.



few words. Having fled from St. Domingo to escape the oppression of the Spaniards, he was captured and ordered to be burned alive; this order was given by the governor of Cuba, Velasquez. When urged at the stake to embrace Christianity, he inquired if the white men would go to heaven? on being answered in the affirmative, he replied, "then I will not be a Christian; for I would not go again to a place where I must find men so cruel."†

Were I sent forth to find men true and brave, I know of none to whom I should go sooner than to the Indians. Were their deeds of heroism emblazoned upon the page of unfading history, a brighter light could not be cast upon the works of God.

I have been induced to make these remarks to mitigate, in a measure, the feelings that must have been harrowed up, by the perusal of the massacres contained in the last few chapters. I may be accused of being overpartial to the Indians; but I cannot persuade myself that such is the case, or that I have said one word too much for them, nay rather do I feel my inability to do justice to the lords of the American forest, with whom, the proudest of the proud, might seek an alliance.

The day of trial to the poor Indian has not yet passed, the whites are yearly encroaching upon the territory set apart for their residence by the general government. Lawless men, who seek only self aggrandizement, are daily insinuating themselves among the Indians, and selling to them intoxicating liquors—destroying not only life, but domestic peace, and fitting the poor savages for the commission of deeds which will bring vengeance upon their heads.

If this custom is not arrested, we may expect to see the Indians continue to dwindle away before the now powerful, but ungrateful offspring of their guests, driven hither by oppression, but a few hundred years ago. That all deplore this fact, who suffer themselves to reflect for a moment, none will deny. We seldom meet with an individual who is so dishonest as to claim that justice has been done the Indians even by historians.

With pleasure we recount the deeds of the heroes of past ages—each striving to color them highest—but amid all our labors, few wield the pen to perpetuate the deeds of heroism acted by the many brave warriors who have figured among the American Indians. Why is this? Ah! the answer is plain—it requires much labor, and does not pay so well as those labors which are bestowed on a familiar theme. Hannibals or Napoleons may not have led their hosts of red-men to the battle-fields in the forests of America; but men with the patriotism of a Washington, have fallen battling for their homes. How many must be the daring feats which have been performed by these brave people; and how pure were those emotions which actuated the Indian father to leave his home, and all its endearments, to repel the advancing foe! How devoted must have been that Indian mother to the land in which reposed the bones of her boy? for it has not yet been proved, that civilization and love are inseparable.

It may be, that the obliteration of the Indian race, was but the working of an allwise Providence, and if so, then none will complain. But that they might have been civilized, and brought to an understanding of the



truth of Christianity, is proved beyond a doubt, by the present condition of the Chickasaw and Choctaw tribes. In college, the Indian boy has not been found deficient; nor can I subscribe to the opinion, sometimes expressed, that they are an inferior race of men. Circumstances have conduced to make them such—but instances have not been wanting, where the unfavorable conditions have been removed, of great depth of mind, and general vivacity of intellectual powers, having been exhibited by the North American Savages.

It is a remarkable fact, that most of the tribes or fragments of tribes of North American Indians are but little more advanced than they were centuries ago. The Indians of the west, still hunt with the bow and arrow, and make war with the lance and shield. Their religion, manners and customs, have undergone little change for three hundred years. The same vague superstitions—the same stupid ignorance—the same mutual dissensions which have ever been the barriers to their prosperity, yet exist—a few tribes, originally settled east of the Mississippi river, have become somewhat civilized, and Christianized; but the greater portion of the western Indians are still savages. The labors of Christian missionaries have been too confined and cramped, to accomplish what we could have wished to see.

But surely, the Christian denominations, if not the general government will take some steps to reclaim this lost people. The more we learn of them, the more we find to admire. Then how noble would be the labor of a life among them, that their full history might now be saved, and not perish, as it will most likely, without exertions, in less than two centuries, when not one representative of these once powerful people will exist, to remind us of their ancestors—our benefactors.

Who is he that would not contribute something to the cause of education—one of the first steps to civilization—among the poor ignorant savages of the western wilds? Surely, if such a man lives, he will not let his existence be known.

The day is coming when the western wilds must be converted into happy homes, and if the red-man who now occupies them is not first taught to fill the injunction laid upon Adam, he must go the way of his ancestors and be no more known among the nations of the earth."

Keeping in view the purpose of the author of these Annals to chronicle only such matters as are directly related to Tazewell County, we have omitted from the republication of Bickley's History, the following: The Preface, Outline History of Virginia, Table of Contents and the greater part of Introduction to Indian Wars. We have also omitted to copy the authors concluding "Note" and the chapters on Birds, Animals and Plants. Bickley's list of the Members of the Legislature has not been copied because a complete list appears elsewhere in Part One.—Harman.





**Members of the Tazewell Bar and Others, taken 1902.**

Seated, left to right: J. N. Harman; J. W. Chapman; Judge, J. H. Stuart; Col. A. J. May; Hon. Robert C. Jackson, Judge Circuit Court; Col. Henry C. Alderson and James W. Hicks.  
 Standing, left to right: Douglas C. Smith; E. L. Greever; H. Bane Harman, Clerk of the Circuit Court; Rev. Stuart French, behind Clerk; C. J. Barnes; R. A. T. Clement, Deputy Clerk; H. Wade Steele, Deputy Sheriff and Jailer; Geo. W. St. Clair; James Brandy, Sheriff; H. George McCall, behind Sheriff; Samuel D. May; H. P. Brittain, Treasurer of County; A. S. Higginbotham and V. L. Sexton.

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It is our purpose to collect and publish, in the near future, genealogies of a larger number of the pioneer families than we have been able to prepare for this book. We trust that the genealogies herein published will stimulate many others to co-operate in this important work.

JOHN NEWTON HARMAN, SENIOR.

*Tazewell, Virginia, January, 1925.*





## CHAPTER I.

### GOVERNORS, MEMBERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS AND OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA FROM 1852 TO 1924.

(For a list of these officials from 1800 to 1852, see Vol. 1.)

#### GOVERNORS—1852 TO 1924.

Joseph Johnson. January 1, 1852—January 1, 1856.

Henry A. Wise. January 1, 1856—January 1, 1860.

John Letcher. January 1, 1860—January 1, 1864.

William Smith. January 1, 1864—May 20, 1865. William Smith was elected for the four year term, ending January 1, 1868. By an executive order of the President of May 9, 1865, it would seem that April 17th had been determined by him as the end of Governor's Smith's authority. Official records of Union and Confederate armies, Ser. 3, Vol. V, p. 14, Governor Smith's letter to General H. W. Halleck of May 20, 1865, closes his effort at retaining the governorship, and should be considered the end of his term. Governor Pierpont arrived in Richmond May 26, 1865.

Francis H. Pierpont. May 20, 1865—April 4, 1868. F. H. Pierpont was elected in May, 1863, by western counties, for a four year term; beginning January 1, 1864, he acted as governor for the few counties under federal control, with Alexandria as the capital. On May 26, 1865, he removed the State offices to Richmond. His term should have ended on January 1, 1868, but was extended to April 4, 1868 by the general commanding the first military district.

Henry H. Wells. April 4, 1868—March 27, 1869; April 2, 1869—September 21, 1869. H. H. Wells was appointed governor April 4, 1868 by General Schofield (general order 36). On March 27, 1869, he was removed by General Stoneman. On April 2, 1869, he was re-instated by General A. S. Webb, in charge of the first military district before the arrival of General Canby (special order 66). On September 8, 1869, General Canby appointed Gilbert C. Walker governor to take effect September 21, 1869, "vice H. H. Wells, resigned," (general order 104).

Gilbert C. Walker. September 21, 1869—January 1, 1874. G. C. Walker was elected for the term beginning January 1, 1870. By general order 104 he was appointed to take office on September 21, 1869.

James L. Kemper. January 1, 1874—January 1, 1878.

Frederick W. M. Holliday. January 1, 1878—January 1, 1882.

William E. Cameron. January 1, 1882—January 1, 1886.

Fitzhugh Lee. January 1, 1886—January 1, 1890.

Philip W. McKinney. January 1, 1890—January 1, 1894.

Charles T. O'Ferrall. January 1, 1894—January 1, 1898.

James Hoge Tyler. January 1, 1898—January 1, 1902.

Andrew J. Montague. January 1, 1902—February 1, 1906.

Claude A. Swanson. February 1, 1906—February 1, 1910.

William H. Mann. February 1, 1910—February 1, 1914.

Henry C. Stuart. February 1, 1914—February 1, 1918.

Westmoreland Davis. February 1, 1918—February 1, 1922.

E. Lee Trinkle. February 1, 1922—February 1, 1926.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS.

### MEMBERS REPRESENTING TAZEWELL COUNTY.

1861—Convention met February 13, 1861, and adjourned December 6, 1861.

Tazewell County: William P. Cecil and Samuel L. Graham.

1867-68—Convention met ———, 1867, and adjourned ———, 1868.

Bland and TAZEWELL Counties: Colonel James M. French.

1901-2—Convention met June 12, 1901, and adjourned June 26, 1902.

Tazewell County: A. P. Gillespie.

### MEMBERS WHO REPRESENTED TAZEWELL COUNTY IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA FROM 1853 TO 1924.

Session: December 5, 1853—March 4, 1854.

House of Delegates: Robert Barns and H. R. Bogle.

Senate: Manilius Chapman.

Session: December 3, 1855—March 19, 1856.

House of Delegates: William M. Gillespie.

Senate: Manilius Chapman.

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Session: December 7, 1857—April 8, 1858.

House of Delegates: H. R. Bogle and R. W. Davidson.

Senate: Napoleon B. French.

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Sessions—December 5, 1859—April 2, 1860; January 7,  
1861—April 4, 1861.

House of Delegates: J. M. Witten.

Senate: Napoleon B. French; Senatorial District now composed of Mercer, Giles, Monroe, TAZEVELL, McDowell and part of Buchanan.

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Sessions: December 2, 1861—March 31, 1862; April 1, 1862—May 14, 1862; September 15, 1862—October 3, 1862; January 7, 1863—March 31, 1863.

House of Delegates: Hervey George and Thomas H. Gillespie.

Senate: James W. M. Witten. Part of Bland added to District.

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Sessions: September 7, 1863—November 2, 1863; December 7, 1863—March 10, 1864; December 7, 1864—March 15, 1865.

House of Delegates: Rees T. Bowen.

Senate: James W. M. Witten. District composed of TAZEVELL, McDowell and Buchanan.

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Sessions: December 4, 1865—March 3, 1866; December 3, 1866—March 2, 1867; March 4, 1867—April 29, 1867.

House of Delegates: G. W. Deskins.

Senate: Dale Carter. District now composed of Buchanan, Russell and TAZEVELL.

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Sessions: October 5, 1869—October 20, 1869; February 8, 1870—July 11, 1870; October 1, 1870—November 10, 1870; December 7, 1870—March 31, 1871.

House of Delegates: Henry Bowen.

Senate: James M. French. District now composed of Pulaski, Bland, TAZEVELL and Russell.



Sessions: December 6, 1871—March 26, 1872; March 27, 1872—April 5, 1872; December 4, 1872—April 2, 1873.

House of Delegates: Henry Bowen.

Senate: James M. French. District now composed of Giles, Pulaski, Bland and TAZEVELL.

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Sessions: January 1, 1874—April 30, 1874; December 2, 1874—March 31, 1875.

House of Delegates: William P. Cecil.

Senate: Samuel H. Newberry.

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Sessions: December 1, 1875—March 29, 1876; December 6, 1876—April 4, 1877.

House of Delegates: William P. Cecil.

Senate: Samuel H. Newberry.

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Sessions: December 5, 1877—March 14, 1878; December 4, 1878—April 2, 1879.

House of Delegates: J. R. Witten.

Senate: J. Hoge Tyler.

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Session: December 3, 1879—March 9, 1880.

House of Delegates: James R. Witten.

Senate: Samuel Lecce. District now composed of Russell, Buchanan and TAZEVELL.

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Sessions: December 7, 1881—March 6, 1882; March 7, 1882—April 22, 1882.

House of Delegates: James R. Witten.

Senate: Robert Barnes.

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Sessions: December 5, 1883—March 19, 1884; August 13, 1884—December 1, 1884.

House of Delegates: W. G. Mustard.

Senate: Robert Barnes.

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Sessions: December 2, 1885—March 6, 1886; March 16, 1887—May 24, 1887.

House of Delegates: James Bandy.

Senate: Joseph S. Gillespie.

Session: December 8, 1887—March 5, 1888.

House of Delegates: William L. Moore.

Senate: Joseph S. Gillespie.

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Session: December 4, 1889—March 6, 1890.

House of Delegates: John W. Crockett.

Senate: Charles J. Gose.

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Session: December 2, 1891—March 4, 1892.

House of Delegates: Andrew N. Peery.

Senate: Charles J. Gose.

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Session: December 6, 1893—March 8, 1894.

House of Delegates: J. Howe Sayers.

Senate: Alexander St. Clair. District now composed of Russell, Buchanan, Dickenson and TAZEWEELL.

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Session: December 4, 1895—March 5, 1896.

House of Delegates: James W. Smith.

Senate: Alexander St. Clair.

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Session: December 1, 1897—March 4, 1898.

House of Delegates: William B. Spratt:

Senate: Alexander St. Clair.

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Session: December 6, 1899—March 7, 1900.

House of Delegates: J. S. Moss.

Senate: Alexander St. Clair.

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Sessions: December 4, 1901—April 2, 1902; July 15-28, 1902;

November 12, 1902—May 19, 1903; November 10,  
1903—January 12, 1904.

House of Delegates: W. L. Moore.

Senate: J. N. Harman.

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Sessions: January 13, —March 15, 1904.

House of Delegates: J. Powell Royall.

Senate: J. N. Harman. District now composed of TAZEWEELL, Buchanan, Russell and Dickenson.

Session: January 10, —March 15, 1906.

House of Delegates: J. Powell Royall.

Senate: R. Walter Dickenson.

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Session: January 8, —March 27, 1908.

House of Delegates: Deskins Green.

Senate: Roland E. Chase.

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Session: January 12, —March 17, 1910.

House of Delegates: John M. Ratliff.

Senate: Roland E. Chase.

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Session: January 10, —March 15, 1912.

House of Delegates: S. P. Mustard.

Senate: J. Powell Royall.

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Sessions: January 14, —March 20, 1914; January 13, —March  
19, 1915.

House of Delegates: John A. Looney.

Senate: J. Powell Royall.

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Session: January 12, —March 18, 1916.

House of Delegates: Ebb H. Witten.

Senate: J. Powell Royall.

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Session: January 9, 1918.

House of Delegates: C. Henry Harman.

Senate: J. Powell Royall.

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Session: January —, 1920.

House of Delegates: C. C. Hyatt.

Senate: R. O. Crockett.

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Session: January —, 1922.

House of Delegates: John H. Stinson.

Senate: C. C. Hyatt.

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Session: January —, 1924.

House of Delegates: Dr. J. Walter Witten.

Senate: Samuel J. Thompson.



## CHAPTER II.

### MARRIAGE RECORDS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, FROM 1853 TO 1868.

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*Being a Continuation of Marriages from P. 167, Vol. I, Annals  
of Tazewell County, Which Contains Said Records from  
1800 to 1853.*

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1854

Theophilus Woody and Aisley White, January 8.  
Robert W. Wilson and Martha Sixee, January 10.  
Charles Wesley Blankenship and Rebecca A. Watson, January 19.  
George W. Mitchell and Ann Eliza Tabor, January 19.  
James H. Flummer and Catherine E. Harry, January 26.  
Rufus F. Goodman and Letitia S. Thompson, February 7.  
Gordon Cloyd Conley and Mary Jane Boling, February 16.  
Fedrick Charles and Martha Hurley, February 17.  
John Looney and Lucy Elswick, February, 13.  
Silvester White and Mary Emarmtha Baker, March 1.  
John Thomas Barrett and Catherine Beavers, March 1.  
Jno. Elswick Blankenship and Caroline Chalmers, March 7.  
Robert Whitley Marrs and Rebecca Eveline Bowling, March 16.  
Hugh J. Terry and Eliza J. Steel, March 2.  
Moses M. Higginbotham and Amada Barnes, March —.  
Thomas Burton and Marth Pruett, March 9.  
Abner Roy Kerr, Jr., and Mary Jane Blankenship, March 19.  
Harry Gross and Mary Irvin, March 23.  
Anderson Rinehart and Lina Barbary Hager, March 23.  
Archibald Malony White and Susan Hickman, February 4.  
Joseph Hudson and Nancy Puckett, March 23.  
James White and Elizabeth White, March 29.  
John Farmer and Nancy L. Mires, March 30.  
Lewis Matheny and Jane Spens, March 30.  
Zachariah Walland and Levisa Shrader, April 2.  
John Robinson and Margaret Ann Conner, April 9.  
John R. Owens and Rachel Carter, April 13.

William M. Stephenson and Mahala Kinder, April 26.  
Jefferson Tabor and Lucy Ann Scott, April 27.  
Samuel Christian and Isabel Brewster, April 27.  
William Johnson and Lucinda Justice, May 4.  
William White and Susanna White, May 9.  
Joseph Sparks and Lavisa Asbery, May 10.  
James Grimes and Sophromia Robinett, May 11.  
Nicholus Henaker and Anna Hobbs, May 25.  
Fielding Kirk Asbury and Patsey Harrison, June 1.  
John Franklin and Paru Taylor, June 2.  
Clinton Barnes and Sarah Johnson Gillespie, June 13.  
Samuel Clytum and Eliza Taylor, June 21.  
John E. Keen and Katharin Vance, June 22.  
John Bird and Elizabeth Short, June 30.  
James Short and Elizabeth Bird, June 30.  
Fleming Lewis and Ann Ratliffe, July 14.  
Charles Cordell and Celia Low, July 15.  
Robert M. Neel and Amelia M. Lambert, July 19.  
Patton Robnett and Malinda Neel, July 31.  
John Horton and Eliza Jane Drake, August 22.  
Edward H. Jamison and Elizabeth Ann Neel, August 24.  
Joseph Matney and Pricy Smyth, August 27.  
Thomas R. Hinneger and Barbary E. Hanshaw, August 30.  
Henry Webb and Rezine Keene, September 4.  
Mathias Christian and Eleanor Beaden, September 5.  
James Harvey Pruett and Ellen Steele, September 21.  
James Daniels and Jane Moore, September 28.  
Robert Mitchell Hankins and Nancy Elizabeth Lockhart, October 5.  
James Lackly Witten and Ellen Cetaria Brown, November 15.  
Isaac Cameron and Ellen Yost, November 30.  
William Baker and *Lear* Blankenship, November 30.  
Cuthburth Harman and Rachel Bruster, December 12.  
Adam Davis and Clary Charels, December 17.  
Jacob Shirt and Elizabeth Jones, December 21.  
Peter Ephriam Hedrick and Letitia Murphy, December 26.  
James S. Whitley and Margaret Whitten, January 11.  
William Furguson and Marinda E. Wright, February 1.  
Solomon T. Rose and Martha P. Smith, March 24.  
Benjamin Dawson and Susan Hamper, March 27.

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1853

James Thompson and Floanna G. Crabtree, January 18.  
Gibson Samuel Smoot and Margaret Ann Shell, July 21.  
Ephram Claypool and Sarah Peery, August 4.  
William J. Young and Martha T. Claytor, August 14.  
Samuel P. Davidson and Milly Taylor, September 21.

1854

John Peery and Nancy J. Rader, January 18.  
William G. Bottimore and Elizabeth M. Witten, January 24.  
John A Mcall and Nancy J. Gillespie, January 25.  
Charles Matney and Lusinday Ratcliff, February 14.  
James H. Gillespie and Mary E. Dunn, February 16.  
John White and Matilda Coleman, March 27.  
James W. Stratton and Isabella Barnett, April 13.  
Rees H. Crabtree and Elizabeth Sincintaffer, April 27.  
Stephen Harrison Tabor and Lucinda Obedience Deaton, September 13.  
John French and Elizabeth Pike, September 27.  
John Odell and Amy Myers, October 19.  
Jacob J. Hager and Margaret J. French, October 18.  
Jonathan Hall and Nancy Collins, October 30.  
Daniel Harman Gillespie and Matilda Taylor, October 31.  
Charles J. Blizard and Levina Claypool, November 8.  
Williams Burcham and Sarah M. Means, November 20.  
Eli Chiddix and Lydia Bourne, November 22.  
Philip G. Alder and Mary Burkett, November 23.  
Isaac Chapman Fowler and Keziah McDonald Chapman, December 6.  
William R. Smith and Martha Shortridge, December 7.  
William P. Walker and Margaret M. Steel, December 13.

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1855

John Harry and Caroline E. Shannon, January 23.  
James Maddison Whitt and Luninda Compton, January 23.  
William J. Jones and Rebecca Higginbotham, January 25.  
Tyree Davis and Susan Vance, January 29.



- William Garrison Boling and Nancy Dawson, February 1.  
David Jesse Osborn and Elizabeth Spence, February 5.  
Marlm Duncan and Nancy Stump, February 15.  
Thomas Christian and Martha Vandike, February 21.  
William Patton Samples and Rhoda Ann Repass, January 23.  
Rees Chambers and Emmazilla Elizabeth Wingo, February 27.  
Julius Caesar Williams and Mary Jane Davis, February 28.  
David Charles and Delila Blankenship, March 1.  
Denis Howery and Mary Ann Six, March 7.  
John M. Moore and Nancy Johnson, March 8.  
James H. Shannon and Margaret Murphey, March 21.  
L. R. S. Davis and Mary Ann Harman, March 25.  
Edward McDonald and Elizabeth A. Dowd, April 4.  
Joseph Fary and Mary Ann Fletcher, April 11.  
Reuben Cornwell and Rachel Spence, April 17.  
John William Dixon and Patiena Woosley, April 19.  
John Collins and Polly Riff, April 19.  
John Sparks and Rebecca Mitchell, April 23.  
William J. Tabor and Elizabeth J. Crockett, April 26.  
Rickles Stanley and Margaret Christian, April 29.  
Harris Mitchell and Elizabeth Baker, May 7.  
Henderson Elswick and Rebecca Mitchem, May 10.  
George Stiltner and Louisa Matney, May 30.  
James Bandy and Nancy Christian, June 14.  
Archibald Thompson Ward and Rebecca Cecil Thompson, July 10.  
George W. Lambert and Clarissa Cline, July 13.  
William H. Buchanan annd Mary Ann Hurry, July 25.  
Gilbert H. Reed and Mary Ann Cecil, August 28.  
Oliver Wynn Crabtree and Polly Jane Gillespie, September 6.  
Joseph W. Lambert and Susannah Lane, September 6.  
Samuel HausheW Snider and Sarah Fina Anderson, September 11.  
William W. Peery and Sarah J. Witten, September 11.  
Mark Day and Polly Crow, September 11.  
Edmond P. Justice and Polly Ann Hall, September 16.  
William Osborn and Mary Keen, September 24.  
Thomas Waddle and Nancy Pruett, September 26.  
John Winter Booth and Rebecca Hankins, September 27.  
James C. Peery and Mary E. Custard, October 24.  
William Lafayette Watkins and Ellen Stuart Bowen, October 9.

Walter L. Stephenson and Polly Pack, October 10.  
Daniel Going and Lally Boling, October 11.  
George Chappell and Lavisia Combs, October 18.  
James Maxwell and Nancy Lawson, October 18.  
John Blizard and Eliza Ratliff, October 25.  
John Carter and Rachel E. Blizard, October 25.  
Gabriel Davis and Lucinda Wells, November 1.  
William Lewis and Elizabeth Kimbel, November 2.  
Jeremiah B. Claypool and Charlotte Vandike, November 13.  
Silas J. Skelton and Melia M. Barnett, November 13.  
William Lafayette Hubble and Jane E. Ratcliff, November 27.  
Thos. Jefferson Young and Margaret Chiddix, November 28.  
Ralph T. Brown and Catherine Harper, December 6.  
George W. Brown and Lilly B. Young, December 11.  
George W. Shawver and Nancy C. Britts, December 20.  
James Deskins and Polly Ann Harris, December 25.  
James Mahood and Amanda Virginia Greever, December 26.  
Zachariah Osborn and Rebecca Elizabeth Claypool, December 25.  
Andrew Shortridge and Jane Boling, December 28.

## 1856

James Henniger and Sarah Ann Wynn, January 3.  
William S. Shawver and Eleanor L. Gillespie, January 15.  
John F. Anderson and Eleanor R. Bolling, January 24.  
Charles Lewis Robinett and Ann Eliza Elswick, February 5.  
Rees Straton and Charlotte Harper, February 5.  
William Mitchell and Caroline Lynn, February 11.  
Zachariah L. Witten and Julia A. Summers, February 12.  
James Anrold Crockett and Rachel Graham, February 12.  
Johnson Low and Mary E. Griffith, February 14.  
William Peery and Jane Harman, February 19.  
Walter Dikes and Mary Vance, January 8.  
Gabriel W. Crabtree and Susan Ann Thompson, February 14.  
William M. Neel and Polly P. Gose, January 7.  
John W. Swader and Martha Daniels, February 29.  
Hiram Christian and Lucinda Graham, March 4.  
Harvey King and Mary H. Thompson, March 6.  
Robert Daniel Doison and Martha Jane Mathena, March 20.  
Wm. Davis and Julia Ann McGuire, March 20.

Thomas Wynn and Martha Beavers, March 26.  
Andrew M. Sarfow and Tabitha H. Tabor, March 27.  
John Altizer and Sarah Ann Baldwin, April 3.  
Russell B. Tabor and Elizabeth Compton, April 3.  
Henry Peck and Ann Eliza Thompson, April 3.  
William Pruett and Lydia Christian, April 3.  
William A. Tarter and Elizabeth A. Henniger, May 1.  
Erastus F. Harman and Susannah Vance, April 8.  
Alexander Mahood and Margaret Spangler Spracher, May 1.  
John Rose and Caroline Ruth Bishop, May 15.  
William Looney and Jane Yates, May 15.  
Archibald Barnett and Jemima Ritter, June 10.  
Thomas Albert Peery and Sarah Ann Smith, June 17.  
James *Mayner* and Mary Ann Rife, June 19.  
Sampson Kirk and Sarah Mayner, June 19.  
John Patrick and Margaret Leedy, June 26.  
Matison A. Ruble and Christian Neel, June 26.  
Isaac Newton Grubb and Ann Eliza Yost, June 29.  
Wesley Reed and Mary Gibson, July 6.  
Eli Steel and Louisa Lockhart, July 10.  
Grayson Conly and Sarah Ann Moloy, July 10.  
Thomas Dangerfield and Henrietta Belcher, July 17.  
George Hager and Rebecca Brown, July 12.  
Eli Rose and Trescilla Perry, July 17.  
John M. Shelton and Elizabeth Brown, July 22.  
William Bayley and Amanda Moore, July 24.  
Jacob R. Stiltner and Lousinda Childress, August 8.  
Nathan Lawson and Martha Matilda Combs, August 12.  
William N. Henderson and Hannah Peery, August 14.  
John Anderson and Matilda Wampler, August 18.  
William Dillion and Martha Ann Blecher, August 21.  
Robert B. Chiddix and Rebecca Jane Anderson, August 28.  
William Harman and Louisa Dillion, September 11.  
Austin Repass and Jemima Hounshell, September 4.  
Robert W. Harman and Ann H. Justice, September 18.  
Jesse Fallen and Elizabeth Boling, September 25.  
Malcolm McNeill and Mary E. Maxwell, September 25.  
Jerome Carter and Rhoda Peery, September 17.  
William Wells and Rinda Sergeant, September 26.



William J. Clark and Virginia F. Jones, October 1.  
 Thomas B. Maxwell and Martha L. Gillespie, October 1.  
 James Wolf and Hannah Jane Lambert, October 3.  
 Robert Vandike and Nancy Barnett, October 6.  
 David Rosang Greever and Polly Spracher, October 8.  
 Alex S. Spratt and Lydia Matilda Rogers, October 8.  
 James Birkett and Susan Lavina Alder, October 16.  
 Peter Burkett and Darkus Amelia Bourne, October 23.  
 Charles Stephenson and Malinda Jane Hickman, October 23.  
 Hugh Odle and Mary Malvina Bailey, October 30.  
 James M. Barrett and Catherine Stephenson, September 7.  
 Russell Floyd Cecil and Mary Catherine Peery, November 4.  
 Geo. Washington Thompson Griffiths and Sally Elswick, November 13.  
 John B. Young and Mary Higginbotham, November 13.  
 William D. Pritchett and Margaret Hinneger, November 13.  
 Washington Asbury and Jemima Brumback, November 27.  
 John Barber and Anna Spence, December 4.  
 David M. Laughlin and Eleanor Ratliff, December 4.  
 Samuel Rose and Melinda Jane Grose, December 18.  
 Andrew J. Owens and Nancy Daughton, December 23.  
 George G. Daugherty and Mary J. Gillespie, December 25.  
 Squire Gibson and Celina Adkins, December 25.  
 Harvey Lockhart and Mary Steel, December 31.

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1854

Robert Doak Rogers and Nancy Six, November 30.  
 George Erastus Thompson and Nancy A. Thompson, August 17.

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1857

Paris White and Elizabeth Daniels, January 1.  
 Daniel A. Neel and Elizabeth E. Adkins, January 6.  
 Felix Bourne and E. S. Young, January 7.  
 John Christian and Clamantine Harman, January 7.  
 Jackson Prater and Sunnah Lester, January 8.  
 John Floyd Fletcher and Mary Elizabeth Day, January 8.

- Jonas Spence and Mary Carter, January 15.  
Jonas H. Baker and Julena Smyth, January 15.  
Manassa Smyth Asbury and Amanda Jane Asbury, January 15.  
James Harley Browning and Sarah Ann Arms, January 22.  
Pressley Blankenship and Rebecca Blankenship, January 22.  
David Mounts and Matilda Stacy, January 22.  
Joshua Rose and Sarah Elizabeth Grose, January 22.  
George Yates and Mary Jane Newly, February 5.  
James T. Gills and Elizabeth Lewis, February 5.  
William Riley Tulley and Rhoda Helen Laird, February 5.  
David Stump and Nancy E. Reynolds, February 10.  
Nathan G. Comwell and Martha A. Spence, February 11.  
James Beavers and Rachel Lambert, February 12.  
John Wesley Deskins and Nancy Hinkel, February 12.  
Preston Stacy and ——— Yates, February 13.  
William D. McDowell and Jane Compton, February 20.  
William Boling and Sarah Ann Grills, February 26.  
Elie Whitt and Nancy Lester, March 9.  
Robert N. Downs and Mary C. Patterson, March 12.  
Andrew J. Andrews and Nancy M. Pauley, March 12.  
Joshua Justus and Elizabeth Collins, March 12.  
Harvey Wesley McGuire and Martha Vandike, March 24.  
Martemus Graham and Mary F. Nunnelly, March 5.  
Granville H. Stump and Elizabeth Jane Johnston, March 26.  
William Wilson and Elizabeth Parson, March 31.  
Samuel R. Hurley and Matilda Jane King, April 2.  
Isaac Mitchum and Elizabeth Odell, April 5.  
Robert S. Shortridge and Louisa Jane Looney, April 7.  
Daniel H. Quicksall and Elizabeth Johnson, April 30.  
Moses Adair and Susan Mullins, May 6.  
Julis Ratcliffe and Malina Looney, May 7.  
Benjamin Colluns and Susan Riff, May 11.  
Alfred P. Brown and Barbara E. Barnett, May 21.  
William Stacy and Rebecca Blankenship, May 24.  
William P. Baker and Martha Stacy, May 24.  
George W. Nunelly and Sarah Ann Nuckles, June 3.  
Addison D. Lambert and Christena Stowers, June 11.  
Winton Tracy and Nancy J. Munsey, June 15.  
Dr. Thomas G. Witten and Eliza A. Fudge, June 18.

- Abijah Montgomery Thomas and Malinda Dalton, June 24.  
John H. Davidson and Sarah C. Stephenson, June 25.  
Dennis Stowers and Mary Ann Marrs, July 3.  
James Crockett Hughes and ———— Hughes, July 7.  
James Mullins and *Susaner* Lambert, July 8.  
Daniel Smith and Nancy *Cusins*, July 9.  
Moses Muncy and Arminta J. Horn, July 9.  
Harry Pruitt and Martha J. Cundiff, August 20.  
Elbert S. Hern and Cosby Ann Caldwell, August 22.  
Sylvester White and Margaret Daniels, August 23.  
John M. Davis and Elvira L. Harman, September 1.  
John Rose and Margaret Swrader, September 3.  
George T. Faulkner and *Druesillia* Howell, September 8.  
Henderson Bailey and Sarah Hedrick, September 11.  
John Belcher and Elizabeth Belcher, September 15.  
Milburn J. Stiltner and Martha Stiltner, September 15.  
Elijah Estep and Delila Cazey, September 19.  
Alfred Smyth and Rebecca J. Beckleheimer, September 20.  
J. M. McCall and M. M. George, September 22.  
George M. Merit and Mary Alison, September 30.  
Joseph Claypole Brown and Mary Deskins, October 1.  
Jackson Mullins and Lucinda Stacy, October 9.  
Norman S. Whitley and Elizabeth Boling, October 14.  
Samuel Bowman and Nancy J. Stephenson, October 22.  
William Shortridge and Lilly Collins, October 29.  
James Anderson Cole and Elizabeth Creger, October 31.  
Henry Horn and Dacy Mullins, November 2.  
Chapman Thomas Griffitts and Matilda Cordelia Cecil, November 4.  
Joseph Vandike and Mary Patrick, November 5.  
Richard Shadrach Gregory and Julia Ann Higginbotham, November 5.  
John Carter Asberry and Nancy Emily Brinegar, November 18.  
Joseph N. Crockett and Sarah F. Carpenter, November 25.  
George Peter Smith and Martha Irena Bailey, November 26.  
Wiley Stacy and Matilda Mullins, December 5.  
Jacob Marcum and Matilda Lambert, December 8.  
William S. Kidd and Elmora Repass, December 9.  
Shadrach Steel and Ellen Asbury, December 10.  
Thomas Hall and Louisa Irena Lynn, December 16.



James McDaniel Wingo and Assenia Low, December 22.  
John Wesley Necessary and Sally Catherine Wynn, December 23.  
James M. Gregory and Barbara Jane Whitley, December 24.  
Robert Patrick and Mary Christian, December 24.  
James R. Tabor and Jane Havens, December 24.  
John H. Woods and Cozby Ann Hedrick, December 24.  
Allen Mullins and Lusa Riffe, December 25.  
Robert B. Mitchell and Elen E. Lester, December 30.  
Alexander Hufford and Mariah D. Taylor, December 30.  
Ali Aldridge and Ann White, December 31.  
John Patten Boyle and Eliza Patterson, May 5.

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1856

Edward Collins and S. Blankenship, February 1.  
Fred Mitchum and Elizabeth Lambert, March 17.  
William Thompson and Elizabeth Finley Scott, April 15.  
John Matney and Polly Stacy, February 19.  
William Yost and Julia F. Gerald, February 23.  
Richard R. McCormick and Susan M. Smith, July 30.

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1858

Williams D. Wilson and Martha Dillion, January 1.  
Abner Vance and Rinda Vance, January 8.  
James Davidson and Margaret A. French, January 21.  
Minnatra Jones and Catherine Petts, January 21.  
Armstrong Blankenship and Nancy Spence, January 11.  
Elihue Compton and Nancy J. Buckland, January 28.  
Henderson Dillion and Sallie Dillion, February 1.  
William Prunty and Mahala Ann Francis Dillion, February 1.  
Richard Rakes and Susand Lester, February 11.  
Dennisoon B. Boldwin and Sally W. Barns, February 16.  
Hampton Rose and Nancy Elizabeth Day, February 24.  
Allen P. Griffiths and Sarah J. Baily, February 25.  
James S. Bruster and Fanny Shrader, February 25.  
Edward Spence and Mary A. Noel, February 26.  
Conly Mounts and Anna Justice, March 11.  
Washington Blankenship and Martha Blankenship, March 11.

- Claiborn Lawson and Mary Boling, March 11.  
Samuel Shrader and Sarah Brooks, March 17.  
Frederick Clevinger and Polly McClanahan, March 19.  
George Evans and Levisa Harman, March 22.  
William H. B. White and Rachale J. Brown, April 1.  
John W. Thomas and Catherine Brown, April 1.  
Daniel D. Blankenship and Louisa Blankenship, April 4.  
George Rye and Nancy Sheppard, April 6.  
Wm. H. Helmandollar and Virginia Cecil, April 7.  
Henry C. Asbury and Cynthia A. Boling, April 25.  
Gabriel W. Asbury and E. R. Daugherty, May 2.  
William H. Gose and Sophronia Peery, May 6.  
Jeremiah M. McGuire and Eleanor E. Peery, May 6.  
William Mitchum and Susan Deal, May 6.  
William Lester and Malinda Blankenship, May 22.  
William Spence and Rosannah Kinder, May 25.  
William Bolen and Elizabeth Rich, June 3.  
Augustus Gates and Prudence Griffiths, June 10.  
Robert Graham and Martha Ann Rollins, June 16.  
John Franklin and Mary Rollins, June 16.  
Daniel Read and Winney Mullins, June 17.  
John S. Workman and Grissilla Lambert, June 17.  
Calvin C. Pack and Hannah Bruster, June 24.  
Granville H. Neel and Elen Virginia Gillespie, June 29.  
William Richardson and Julia Shaver, July 1.  
John Vandike and Jane Elswick, July 5.  
Elijah Willis and Polly Remines, July 9.  
Lorenzo D. Yost and Frances E. Miller, July 15.  
Brightwell Meadows and Mary J. Woosley, July 15.  
Rees Peery and Jane K. Harman, July 28.  
William Patton Brown and Lucinda Whitt, August 2.  
Micajah Lithel and Nancy J. Nickols, August 8.  
Joseph F. White and Mary White, August 18.  
George W. Hufford and Mary W. Dills, August 19.  
John Booth and Susan Barrett, August 31.  
Addison Crockett Neel and Amanda Maryland Neel, September 3.  
George W. Thompson and Mary M. Johnston, September 16.  
August S. Walsond and Elizabeth Bandy, September 22.  
Thomas Thompson and Nancy Hutchinson, September 23.

W. B. P. Ward and Sally F. Thompson, September 28.  
James Addison Wimmer and Rebecca Jane Compton, September 30.  
Francis M. Steel and Malissa I. Prater, September 3.  
Zachariah T. Scott and Levisa Franklin, October 8.  
Stephens Mahood and Margaret Jane Greever, October 20.  
Israel H. Buchanan and Mary F. Buchanan, October 28.  
Anderson Lester and Elizabeth Williamson, November 2.  
Reuben Repass and Nancy Dale, November 8.  
Aaron Carter and Nancy C. Neel, November 18.  
Benjamin F. Kelly and Cosby C. Snider, November 18.  
William B. Yost and Gilliam S. Shrader, November 25.  
Isaac Young and Rachael L. Lester, November 29.  
Noah Spence and Matilda Emesion Spence, December 6.  
Lewis Broyles and Emily Kinser, December 9.  
James T. Louthen and Barbary Shrader, December 10.  
William M. Witten and Permelia E. Gillespie, December 22.  
James C. Lambert and Catherine E. Vernon, December 30.

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1857

William Pruett and Margaret Jane Adkins, October 14.  
Samuel Thomas and Mary Stowers, October 21.

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1859

James R. Stevenson and Cosby E. Ratcliff, January 20.  
David Christian and Amanda Elswick, January 26.  
Elisha P. Jones and Ruth Garison, January 20.  
William Nelson and Ruthy Altizer, January 19.  
Wm. Buchanan and Matilda Six, January 6.  
George W. Martin and Rebecca G. Kidd, January 13.  
Peter Henderson Hague and Martha J. Barnett, February 2.  
Augustus F. Daily and Nancy Ratcliff, February 3.  
David Young and Nancy Spence, February 27.  
F. S. Dunn and Ellenor M. Witten, March 1.  
William Gates and Sarah A. Shone Harrison, March 2.  
John Fanning and Elizabeth Pauley, March 3.  
William Prewett and Sarah A. Acres, March 5.



Robert L. Gillespie and Mary F. Helmandollar, March 5.  
William McGuire and Leucresha Gillenwater, March 16.  
Robert Gillespie and Catherine E. Vail, March 22.  
Harvey G. Bailey and Nancy B. McDonald, March 22.  
Jacob Carper and Rebecca J. Neel, March 31.  
A. J. Hoodall and Marh S. C. Davis, April 5.  
John Matheny and Mary M. Barnett, April 5.  
James R. Repass and Rosanah Hounshell, April 7.  
Jacob Jones and Elizabeth Cordell, April 10.  
Tolbert Elswick and Lucinda Vance, April 12.  
John R. Brooks and Mary S. Scott, April 27.  
Thomas P. Umbarger and Elizabeth A. Brooks, May 16.  
Thos. M. Bourn and Lucinda M. Terry, May 31.  
Mathias F. Wynn and Barbary E. Neel. June 1.  
James H. Neel and Barbary E. Repass, June 2.  
Wm. P. Asbury and Cathern Brown, June 15.  
E. S. Fergerson and Mary A. Fry, June 22.  
Orvill M. Brown and Zarilda Young, June 22.  
James B. Brown and Susanah Fortner, July 1.  
Robert Gill and Ellen Jane Pane, July 7.  
Harvey Straton and Susan A. East, July 14.  
John Vance and Rhoda J. Vance, July 21.  
Milburn F. Linkous and Elizabeth C. Comer, July 28.  
Augustus F. Brooks and Louisa V. Crabtree, August 4.  
Thomas Prewett and Nancy E. Rose, August 4.  
Andr. Gott and Ellenor Fields, August 15.  
Rufus Stowers and Sarah E. Lambert, August 16.  
Henderson R. Wingo and Lilly Christian, August 17.  
Emsley Rollins and Dicy Havens, August 18.  
John L. Thomas and Polina Wynn, September 7.  
Elias Foglesong and Sophia Peery, September 8.  
Wm. Gott and Amelia J. Lavender, September 20.  
Henry Ascue and Ann E. Lester, September 22.  
David Alley and Melvina Wolf, September 29.  
John T. Litz and Elizabeth E. Thompson, October 5.  
D. A. Daugherty and Nancy L. Moore, October 22.  
John Phillips and Sarah Carter, October 18.  
Lewis G. Day and Elizabeth A. Kinser, October 23.  
John A. Messick and Rebecca A. Ratcliff, November 8.

Rees B. Gillespie and Linnie C. Witten, November 15.  
Luther Christian and Bettie Nuckolls, November 17.  
Geo. W. Tabor and Gracy D. Hankins, December 7.  
Jessee Bailey and Mary Ann Shannon, December 15.  
Andrew Norton and Eliza Nuckols, December 21.  
John Spracher and Martha Henninger, December 21.  
William Whitt and Elizabeth Wallis, December 28.

## 1860

Wm. P. Kinder and Ann Crow, January 5.  
Wm. B. Brown and Nancy Wilson, January 5.  
Jas. H. Nuckells and Emerine Terry, January 5.  
Levi Hickman and Emly Mitchum, January 5.  
James W. Cecil and Prudy J. Thompson, January 13.  
Ebenezer Brewster and Elizabeth Hankins, January 13.  
Daniel J. Bennett and Mary Ann Alder, January 24.  
Isaac B. Steel and May J. Moore, January 31.  
Saml. S. Moore and Martha M. Shannon, February 8.  
John W. Beavers and Lucy Bandy, February 9.  
Augustus F. Moore and Sallie Sayers, February 16.  
Francis M. Maxwell and Eveline F. Leedy, February 16.  
Wm. F. Johnson and Rebecca Ratcliff, February 18.  
Elihu Griffiths and Louisa Elswick, February 21.  
Harvey Bailey and Rozener Wilson, February 23.  
Franklins C. Gregory Statira Shaver, February 23.  
John W. Wilson and Permelia A. Muncey, February 26.  
Gray G. Henderson and Rosannah K. Whitt, March 8.  
Andrew J. Thompson and Martha Grills, March 15.  
Daniel H. Carr and Sarah Jane Bane, March 27.  
George T. M. Hudson and Elizabeth S. Greever, April 10.  
Thomas Turley and Mary T. Bales, April 12.  
Chas. J. Maxwell and Rhoda M. McGuire, April 12.  
Rubin Prewitt and Eveline Nelson, April 19.  
Luke Wiles Kimble and Susan Gullion, April 20.  
Elias H. White and Amanda J. Steel, April 25.  
Wm. H. Burress and Sarah E. Pack, May 10.  
Benj. Cordell and Roda J. Ball, May 31.  
Henny W. Hager and M. C. Moore, June 12.  
Geo. W. Neel and Polly Ann Houndshell, January (or June) 13.

- Peter R. Suiter and Margaret R. Neel, July 3.  
Harvey Romins and Margaret Harriss, July 10.  
Geo. W. S. Noel and Mary A. Fox, August 2.  
Jno. W. McFarland and Nickettia Sprinkle, August 2.  
Andrew J. Murphy and Catherin Hagy, August 4.  
John Prewett and Nancy Deskins, August 5.  
John Bailey and Rebecca Carter, August 10.  
Rees B. Duff, Jr., and Sarah A. B. Horton, August 15.  
Geo. W. Spotts and Rosa St. Clair, August 21.  
Howard J. Matteny and Mariah S. McClure, September 6.  
Geo. W. Burress and Sarah D. Noel, September 9.  
Fountain Siri and Margaret Grose, September 18.  
Robert B. Elswick and Callowa Whitley, September 19.  
John Spence and Susan McFarlan, September 20.  
William Duncan and Rhoda F. Barnett, October 10.  
Jessee Mondy and Louisa Kinder, October 11.  
Wm. S. Litz and Sarah Spence, October 16.  
James M. Blackwell and Catharine Hubble, October 24.  
Hugh Sparks and Nancy Hankins, October 25.  
Walter S. Harris and Amelia Young, November 1.  
Jas. J. Ketner and Mary H. Baldwin, November 3.  
Jas. H. Lockhart and Mary C. Burnett, November 6.  
Augustus Repass and M. Gose, November 7.  
Saml. M. Witten and Martha J. Henegar, November 13.  
Joshua Prewett and Elizabeth A. Workman, November 13.  
Rees M. Bowlen and Charlotte Barnett, November 27.  
Isaac B. Brown and Mary J. Steel, November 28.  
David Stump and H. A. Edwards, November 29.  
Jackson Lawson and Elizabeth Stump, December 6.  
Jacob Hypes and Francis J. Hedrick, December 6.  
Andrew P. Bolwing and Barbary Wynn, December 13.  
Fullen Lester and Angeline Lester, December 14.  
Francis Willis and Nancy Jane Steel, December 20.  
Moses H. Barnett and Mahala Brooks, December 20.  
Patrick H. McMullin and Rebecca Holbrook, December 20.  
Henry C. Blackwell and Catharine Kinder, December 27.  
James W. Burton and Mary V. Carbaugh, December 27.  
Chas. I. Crockett and Nancy M. Crockett, May 16.



1861

Solomon Peery and Polly Ally, January 1.  
Peter Gose McGuire and Elelia J. Walker, January 1.  
William D. Wilson and Jemima McFarland, January 14.  
John M. Harman and Martha L. Gillespie, January 15.  
David G. Sayers and Nancy Harman, January 16.  
Abraham Ascue and Ann Eliza Lester, January 31.  
Wm. Anderson Spence and Catherine Goodman, January 31.  
Rufus A. Gillespie and Catherine Spurgun, January 31.  
Calvin Long and Francis Combs, January 31.  
George W. Harper and Ellen Hurt, February 7.  
John B. Powers and Rebecca J. Witten, February 12.  
Elgan S. Whitley and Francis A. Whitman, February 12.  
William W. Osborn and Martha A. Arms, February 14.  
John W. Thompson and Flora Ann E. Wynn, February 14.  
John M. H. Fletcher and Grace Mitchell, February 20.  
Charles J. Goldey and Barbara A. Kinder, February 21.  
John W. Suiter and Ellen Jane Cecil, February 21.  
Tolbert Elswick and Margaret McGlothlin, March 4.  
Saml. J. Repass and Margaret F. Burton, March 7.  
Frederick Christian and Nancy Fealty, March 8.  
John W. Cundiff and Louisa Lambert, March 13.  
James Tabor and Christina Pauley, March 26.  
Rees Vandike and Mary Marrs, March 28.  
David Young Bolen and Rebecca Spence, April 1.  
Pleasant Bailey and Nancy Prunty, April 4.  
John Bowlen and Martha Bowlen, April 9.  
Peter B. Dills and Bettie A. Ferguson, April 11.  
John P. Smith and Mary Eleanor Barnett, April 16.  
James M. Gullion and Dorcas C. Jordan, May 2.  
Archibald B. White and Mary J. White, June 9.  
William D. Pauley and Eliza Helton, May 28.  
Meadows Turner and Margaret Lockhart, June 4.  
Eli Clinton Asburry and Mary Ann Stevenson, June 9.  
A. J. Wimmer and Mary Akers, June 13.  
John A. Altizer and Martilia Nelson, June 21.  
Adam Wolf and Elizabeth A. Skelton, July 4.  
Montgomery Crigger and Thurze Forkner, July 18.  
William P. Rudd and Julina Forkner, August 8.

Calvin Steel and Catherine Robinett, August 26.  
Mitchell C. B. Davis and Nancy M. Davis, September 12.  
William Gillenwaters and Hannah McGuire, October 24.  
Joseph Slusser and Eda M. Pearce, October 26.  
Gregory Bice and Malinda Addoline French, November 21.  
John L. Boyd and Giney C. Remines, November 27.  
William T. Mathena and Josephine N. McCluer, November 28.  
William Rollins and Roda Graham, December 5.  
Jacob S. Hypes and Francis J. Hedrick, December 6.  
Francis Willis and Nancy Jane Steele, December 20.

## 1862

William H. H. Sinkford and Sarah Watson, January 15.  
Crockett Lester and Nancy Watson, January 16.  
John Vandike and Elizabeth Steele, January 28.  
William J. Wallace and Martha S. Linkous, January 29.  
John Asburry and Nancy A. Daugherty, February 2.  
Witten Elswick and Sarah Jane Robbins, February 11.  
George W. Gillespie and Barbary E. Gillespie, February 12.  
Henry H. Gillespie and Salda Rains, February 12.  
Joseph C. Brown and Elizabeth Brown, February 18.  
Allen Gross and Rebecca Mosley, April 3.  
William Jones and Catherine Steele, April 10.  
William Curwin and Nancy B. Wilson, April 24.  
James E. Miller and Emily Grills, April 30.  
William V. Davis and Rachael S. Peery, May 8.  
Tolbert R. Ferrell and Rebecca M. Thompson, May 28.  
Linsey Boling and Ruth M. Barnett, June 5.  
Reed F. Holcomb and Elzena Scott, June 10.  
Thomas J. Wynn and Levini Vandike, June 11.  
Conidas A. Prichett and Elizabeth Ann Hinegar, June 18.  
Robert Barns and Ellen J. Gibson, July 3.  
Crockett Stump and Virginia Tabor, July 23.  
Thomas O. Sifers and Sady Jane Grey Dudley, August 12.  
Tillmon Mullins and Hannah Bandy, September 9.  
John W. Gillon and Jane M. Thompson, September 15.  
John B. Rains and Malinda Broils, September 18.  
Isaac Goodman and Margaret Mitchell, September 25.  
David Rollins and Sarah Marrs, September 25.

James R. Hager and Nancy C. Vernon, October 9.  
Isaac Johnston and Amanda Kinder, November 5.  
Joseph S. Ball and Margaret Smith, November 6.  
John H. Setters and Tibitha J. W. Myers, November 6.  
Anthony H. Martin and Amanda Moore, November 11.  
Rees Gillespie and Eveline J. Hedrick, December 4.  
John S. Workman and Elvina W. Stump, December 11.  
Christopher C. Broils and Sarah E. Deanen, December 21.  
Hiram Peery and Alletha Slade, December 23.  
George W. Clark and Louisa Green, December 25.  
David Looney and Margaret A. Witten, December 30.

## 1863

Thomas T. Mobley and Bettie T. Gillespie, January 1.  
John Tate and Margaret Ann Waddle, January 21.  
Conrad Peck and Minerva S. Pack, February 5.  
William H. Dillion and Julia Ann Burress, February 12.  
Daniel Perdue and Elizabeth Ellen Odle, February 13.  
Wesley Hall and Elender S. Johnston, March 3.  
Robert H. Taylor and Eliza Chandler, March 7.  
Garland Brooks and Levicie Stephenson, March 7.  
James F. Jenkins and Elizabeth Harkrider, June 14.  
Peter McNeely and Milly Cameron, May 5.  
James W. Morton and Nancy J. Dills, June 18.  
Thomas Asbury and Mary E. Brooks, July 2.  
William Peery and Lucinda Jane Mahood, July 15.  
John Summers and Martha Layne, July 2.  
Harry C. Stephenson and Virginia E. Sweeny, July 23.  
Chapman S. Johnston and Malvina Christian, July 30.  
George Lockhart and Rebecca Ann Steel, August 5.  
John R. Stricklen and Judy Ann Ratliff, August 18.  
Archibald Barnett and Jane Chappell, August 27.  
Samuel Raynes and Dorcas Golden, September 3.  
J. R. Tatum and Sarah A. Steel, September 9.  
Chapman Elswick and Emeline J. Chambers, September 10.  
Hanes A. Calvert and Adaline McMullen, September 17.  
Hugh A. Buckland and Josephine Harless, October 2.  
John McNeely and Mary Grills, October 8.  
Thomas A. Gillespie and Nancy Jane Gillespie, October 14.



John Harry and Margaret E. Wade, October 18.  
Lewis Lester and Elizabeth A. Scott, November 25.  
Mathias Lee and Jane Bishop, November 26.  
Micajah Parks and Julia Ann Peery, December 1.  
William B. Davidson and Mary E. Tynes, December 2.  
Wilson White and Martha Hall, December 10.  
Augustus S. Peery and Nancy J. Peery, December 15.  
George W. Bandy and Harriet A. Peery, December 16.

## 1864

Thomas B. Christain and Elizabeth Brewster, January 3.  
James H. Gillespie and Mary Jane Matney, January 6.  
James P. McGlothlin and Elzena Elswick, January 7.  
Jeremiah Farmer and Susannah Kinder, January 19.  
Peter Grim and Martha A. Dillion, January 21.  
James W. Day and Louisa S. Ratliff, January 25.  
Elihu Davis and Mary J. Blankenship, February 2.  
Thomas Smith and Ann Eliza Steel, February 3.  
Robert H. Belcher and Amelia E. Compton, February 10.  
James S. Anderson and Catherine S. Walker, February 16.  
John Grills and Elizabeth Tabor, February 18.  
Thomas R. Bandy and Eliza Sayers, February 18.  
Charles R. Parks and Cozbi Lewis, February 18.  
George W. Henry and Elizabeth Jane Farmer, February 18.  
George W. Barnett and Jane Boling, February 25.  
James Morrisson and Virginia C. Campbell, March 10.  
George W. Blackwell and Margaret Brooks, March 10.  
John Fredrick and Sarah A. Marrs, March 19.  
Anderson L. Walker and Elizabeth E. Slade, March 22.  
William Davis and Julia Spence, March 23.  
Samuel Christian and Mary Vandike, March 29.  
James Curtner and Sarah Jane Sink, March 29.  
Flavins J. McClare and Mary J. Walrond, March 31.  
Mathias Beavers and Martha J. Bandy, April 7.  
James P. Whitt and Lydia Hankins, April 12.  
Charter Whitt and Martha Arms, April 19.  
William Rich and Evaline Bowling, April 21.  
James Grey and Julia A. Earls, April 24.  
Crarles L. Samples and Nancy Hilton, May 24.

Richard Holbert and Elizabeth Gillenwaters, May 26.  
William L. Selly and Elizabeth Compton, June 9.  
Larken Thompson and Minerva Chandler, July 7.  
Allen B. Shawver and Louisa V. Compton, July 7.  
James P. Lawrence and Mary M. Rutherford, July 10.  
Solomon Rose and Abigail Rose, July 22.  
Hezekiah Poe and Hennitta J. Belcher, August 11.  
Adam Hedrick and Mary S. Gillespie, August 15.  
Joseph White and Nancy White, August 17.  
John Turner and Elizabeth A. Combs, September 13.  
Calvery Adkins and Nancy Harless, September 23.  
Malachi C. Caudill and Martha French, September 27.  
Richard Steel and Mary E. Katron, October 24.  
William Beavers and Rebecca Harrison, October 25.  
Samuel Leece and Margaret J. Thompson, October 25.  
Harvey Hickman and Malinda J. Hilton, October 26.  
Gabril Vaughn and Sarah Ann Holbrooks, November 2.  
Allen P. Thompson and Mary Osborn, November 16.  
Moses Hankins and Lenorah E. Comer, December 22.  
Andrew Vandike and Rebecca Bandy, December 29.  
Clinton B. Hash and Nicketti C. Claypool, December 30.

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*Certificates of Marriages Irregularly Returned.*

1859

John D. Kitts and Susan Hall, November 29.

1860

Alexander M. Buchanan and Sarah Witten, December 27.

1863

Wm. D. Davis and Olivia Jenkins, November 19.

1864

Robert M. Lusher and Eliza J. Fulcher, January 14.  
William H. Blankenship and Maggie A. Burnett, January 14.  
Achilles J. Tynes and Harriet L. Fudge, March 3.  
Thomas Morgan and Harriet J. Helmandollar, July 7.  
Joseph Noe and Rebecca Dills, July 24.  
James B. Painter and Sallie A. Gillespie, August 24.  
Reed F. Holcombs and Mary Ann Ingaldsby, August 25.  
Charles Hanshew and Rhoda Harman, November 30.

1865

Thomas J. Stephenson and Nancy Brooks, January 3.  
Mark T. Lockhart and Rebecca Prater, January 4.  
Henry G. Gillespie and Sallie A. Thompson, January 11.  
Hugh S. Grubb and Amanda M. Yost, January 12.  
Samuel Crockett and Attelia Thompson, January 17.  
Andrew J. Woods and Sarah Ann Brooks, January 19.  
Ballard P. Compton and Delilah Harless, January 31.  
William W. Bandy and Malinda Woosley, February 9.  
Jonas Sparks and Lucy Harrison, February 10.  
Moses J. Beavers and Lucy Hankins, February 16.  
John A. Painter and Elura Carbaugh, February 16.  
James Walker and Julia A. Lockhart, February 22.  
James W. Dunford and Phebe Barnett, February 23.  
Enoch J. Ham and Tempa Dillion, February 24.  
James P. Massey and Susan A. Garrett, March 1.  
John C. Harrison and Mary Ann Vance, March 2.  
Anderson F. Wingo and Mary A. Young, March 2.  
Elijah Vance and Rebecca J. White, March 6.  
Mathias H. Harrison and Mary J. Whitt, March 7.  
William J. Buckland and Emily Tabor, March 14.  
John C. Osear and Martha C. Brooks, March 14.  
A. P. Bailey and Mary Marrs, March 22.  
Henry Vess and Mary White, March 23.  
Henry H. Tabor and Mary M. Butt, April 13.  
H. L. Hackney and Frances C. Ward, April 23.  
Robert Webb and Nannie J. Rains, April 26.  
Elisha Bird and Malvina Low, May 4.  
Thomas S. Bailey and Clarena Witten, May 16.  
William Sargent and Sarah Ann Johnson, May 16.  
William Johnson and Sarah Burcham, May 21.  
James W. Smith and A. F. Higginbotham, May 23.  
John C. Pack and Levisa Bowling, May 25.  
Bryant Havens and Virginia Yost, May 25.  
James M. Crockett and Ardelia S. Crockett, May 25.  
William —. Thompson and Cynthia V. Dills, May 30.  
Poindexter P. Dawson and Susannah M. Day, May 31.  
John B. Kinzer and Clarissa J. Tabor, June 1.  
William T. Bottimore and Margaret L. Cecil, June 20.



Peter P. Neel and Elizabeth T. Neel, July 11.  
Floyd W. Matheny and Huldai Sheppard, July 13.  
John B. Clark and Victoria Stump, July 13.  
William A. Bolling and Polly Ann Lockhart, July 24.  
James C. Hughes and Rutha Vernon, July 24.  
James S. Gillenwaters and Christina White, August 1.  
Zachariah Bailey and Elizabeth Dillion, August 7.  
James Williamson and Nancy Beavers, August 10.  
Alam Hager and Margaret Ann Cole, August 15.  
Bryant Thompson and Jane Wolf, August 17.  
Rawley W. Witten and Eleanor W. George, August 29.  
David W. Sicks and Lydia A. Buchanan, August 31.  
William H. Kelly and Rachel F. Graham, September 4.  
John B. Low and Narcissa J. Spence, September 6.  
James B. White and Mary C. Altizer, September 6.  
Titus V. Williams and Sallie W. George, September 12.  
Francis M. Joyner and Catharine Dillow, September 12.  
Samuel M. C. Rogers and Eveline B. Hays, September 14.  
John C. Bandy and Amanda Kinzer, September 15.  
Samuel C. McNeil and Mary E. Watts, September 19.  
Samuel Farmer and Catherine M. Rhudy, September 20.  
Monroe Ownsby and Rachel Cook, September 21.  
Stephen D. Dawson and Elizabeth M. Farmer, September 21.  
James H. George and Elizabeth S. Witten, September 26.  
Thomas J. Neel and Sarah V. Walker, September 26.  
William G. Elswick and Eliza J. Bird, September 30.  
Matthew A. Waldron and Vilenty Carter, October 5.  
James P. Whitman and Louisa J. Crockett, October 5.  
Hervey G. Peery and Cosbi A. Witten, October 7.  
James S. Peery and Maria M. C. Witten, October 10.  
Abel Hankins and Julia A. Gillespie, October 11.  
James P. Gearheart and Martha L. Carter, October 11.  
William S. Barrett and Nannie M. Lockhart, October 12.  
John Ballard and Nancy Harman, October 12.  
Richard P. Smith and Phoebe A. Spracher, October 12.  
John Thompson and Eliza N. Smith, October 17.  
Henry Davis and Rebecca Christian, October 26.  
Jeremiah Cordell and Ami J. Proffitt, October 26.  
Thomas J. Crockett and Emerine V. Whitley, October 30.

John H. Whitley and Eleanor Whitman, October 30.  
James D. French and Harrietta E. Dangerfield, October 31.  
William Witt and Eliza Deskins, November 2.  
Robert T. Dillard and Nicketti F. Hall, November 2.  
Samuel A. Billups and Sarah J. Bowman, November 7.  
Addison Cook and Sarah C. Thompson, November 14.  
Isaac R. H. Stephenson and Mary E. Ruble, November 14.  
Ebenezer Brewster and Sarah J. Griffiths, November 15.  
Ephraim W. Thompson and Martha J. Neel, November 16.  
James S. S. Park and Mary A. Stowers, November 16.  
Erastus Spracher and Joanna S. Woods, November 19.  
William Prewett and Nancy Earls, November 23.  
James D. Puckett and Sarah Earls, November 23.  
John H. Owens and Mary E. Deskins, November 23.  
Guy L. Beavers and Hannah Christian, November 30.  
Adam Altizer and Elizabeth Stephenson, December 7.  
Augustus S. McNeil and Nancy McGuire, December 13.  
Thomas L. Griffiths and Mahala Blankenship, November 14.  
James A. Oney and Adaline E. Boling, December 19.  
Sanders Taylor and Sarah Jane Taylor, December 25.  
Patton J. Brown and Mary J. Brown, December 27.  
James R. McMeans and Victoria Grills, December 27.  
Alexander Beavers and Rebecca Webb, November 27.  
William M. Whitt and Eveline Altizer, December 27.  
William H. Harman and Eugenia E. Reynolds, December 28.

1866

Waddy C. Belcher and Phoebe A. Scott, January 2.  
Jas. S. S. Higginbotham and Octavia Young, January 2.  
B. W. P. Lockhart and Sarah Gates, January 3.  
Levi H. Kinder and Mary E. Boling, January 3.  
Elisha Johnston and Christena Green, January 4.  
John Gillespie and Catherine Blackwell, January 4.  
Enfield D. Thomason and Mary E. Hall, January 4.  
George H. Williams and Mary E. Scott, January 4.  
Wm. C. Williams and Octavia E. Davis, January 9.  
Alexander Broyles and Angeline Arms, January 11.  
Samuel Smoot and Mary Craft, January 11.  
Lazarus Vinson and Lilly B. Harrison, January 11.

James W. Holbrooks and Christina W. Shrader, January 18.  
Shadrach Wallace and Rebecca Wallis, January 18.  
Robert S. Wingo and Mary M. McNeil, January 23.  
George W. Spence and Louisa J. Spence, January 23.  
Raburn Neel and Mary E. Walker, January 23.  
John H. Compton and July Ann Bird, January 26.  
William Scott and Matilda Tabor, January 30.  
Enos Daughton and Rebecca Osborn, January 30.  
Jas. P. Thompson and Mary E. Davis, January 30.  
Sanders Spurlock and Margaret J. Williams, January 31.  
Milbourn W. Barrett and Isabella Combs, January 31.  
John G. Hurt and Salina O. Kendrick, February 8.  
Kelsey F. Harris and Levidia Harman, February 4.  
Albert P. French and Louisa Neel, February 18.  
John G. Lester and Elizabeth Lester, February 22.  
Deskins Green and Eliza Compton, February 22.  
William Walker and Polly J. Crabtree, February 22.  
Archibald Asbury and Matilda Williamson, February 27.  
William F. Brown and Julia S. Havens, February 28.  
John B. Gillespie and Lydia Mitchell, March 1.  
John Tout and Mary J. Buchanan, March 1.  
Alexander Lewis and Elizabeth Johnston, March 5.  
Milburn W. Brewster and Elizabeth Hinkel, March 8.  
Chatman Davis and Susan Hilton, March 12.  
Andrew J. Myers and Sarah A. Havens, March 12.  
Edward Johnson and Margery E. Ratliff, March 15.  
James E. Belcher and Amanda E. French, March 22.  
Joseph B. Shannon and Mary F. Hambrick, March 22.  
George F. Davidson and Catharine M. Deskins, March 22.  
Samuel Gillenwaters and Lydia Sizemore, March 22.  
William Calender and Nancy A. Sullender, March 29.  
James Henderson and Harriet A. Daugherty, April 3.  
Reizin R. Steel and Matilda Belsher, April 3.  
Montraville Steel and Nannie J. Fields, April 4.  
David J. French and Mary Belton, April 5.  
Harvey Holly and Nancy Cecil, April 8.  
James M. Duncan and Elizabeth Johnson, April 12.  
Joseph Kinder and Sallie Nidy, April 16.  
Samuel George and Nancy Johnston, April 18.



Ephriam W. Thompson and Margaret V. Patterson, April 19.  
Eli Mitchell and Lydia Mitchell, April 19.  
Lewis Broyles and Charity C. Arms, May 2.  
William S. Fenell and Rebecca R. Turley, May 3.  
Martin Holloway and Nancy Holloway, May 4.  
Robert Thompson and Elender J. Havens, May 9.  
David C. Stafford and Martha C. Moore, May 10.  
Stephen R. Hill and Malinda Viars, May 22.  
Charles Clark and Alice Peery, May 30.  
George W. Reynolds and Eliza McGuire, May 30.  
George Masteny and Emily French, May 31.  
Elbert Burton and Elizabeth Elswick, May 31.  
Elihu McMeans and Malinda Wolf, May 31.  
James M. Brewster and Mary Hankins, June 5.  
Thomas Parks and Mary M. Repass, June 5.  
Henderson F. Neel and Lettie Hawthorn, June 6.  
Andrew J. Brooks and Zerilda Ann Bankett, June 6.  
Joseph White and Nancy K. Vess, June 7.  
Henry F. P. Davis and Eleanor Greever, June 7.  
Austin A. Thompson and Nancy G. Scott, June 8.  
Ward Wolford and Kate Higginbotham, June 11.  
Jefferson David and Nicketti Lewis, June 16.  
Cabb W. Smith and Delilah White, June 17.  
Gasper Hinkel and Mahala J. Brewster, June 20.  
John W. McFarland and *Lewis* Neel, June 21.  
William P. Martin and Lydia Hickman, June 24.  
William Carter and Rebecca J. Tiller, June 28.  
William Low and Mary Ann Sargent, July 9.  
Granville Lewis, Jr., and Nancy L. Collins, July 11.  
William R. Remines and Rebecca J. Harris, July 14.  
Gasper C. White and Maggie Austin, July 17.  
Elisha E. Francisco and Nancy Mitchell, July 24.  
Harrison E. Yost and Elizabeth A. Bourne, July 25.  
Isom G. Belcher and Mary C. Deaton, July 26.  
James H. Brooks and Margaret C. Marrs, July 26.  
Thomas Rigsby and Mary J. Spence, July 26.  
John Hale and Mary C. Darr, August 2.  
Edward B. Gibson and A. E. Switzer, August 2.  
Carper Harman and Lilly Duff, August 7.

Gideon Billips and Nancy L. French, August 9.  
Winton B. Nash and Margaret A. Martena, August 9.  
Thomas A. Repass and Teresa J. Hurt, August 9.  
Rees T. Turley and Mary J. Hilt, August 12.  
Andrew J. Gibson and A. E. Pendleton, August 13.  
James F. Harris and Jane Carter, August 15.  
Oscar C. Necessary and Martha Lester, August 22.  
John H. Cullop and Susan B. Turley, August 22.  
Johnson Sargent and Elizabeth Reynolds, August 23.  
Uriah McCoy and Nannie Barnett, August 27.  
Jackson Phillips and Mary J. Vance, August 29.  
Wade Mason and Buna Harmon, August 30.  
Mark T. Scott and Mary V. Williams, August 30.  
Jacob T. Frazier and Virginia M. Taylor, September 4.  
Charles Woods and Jane Justice, September 6.  
Peter Underwood and Dorcas Rakes, September 9.  
William Duncan and Jane Helmandollar, September 9.  
Thomas R. Myers and Mary Bruster, September 13.  
James Flanegon and Laura Campbell, September 13.  
William Morton and Ann Fortune, September 13.  
Olendo Caldwell and Rebecca Compton, September 19.  
Albert Grose and Martha Low, September 19.  
Blair B. Greever and Helen C. Jones, September 20.  
John E. Miller and Tabitha C. Caldwell, September 20.  
J. H. Caldwell and Jonah F. Archy, September 20.  
Jonathan Hankins and Charlott L. Comer, September 20.  
William Shrader and Margaret Shawver, September 20.  
John C. Layne and M. A. Hendnickson, September 26.  
Otis Caldwell and Mary C. Turley, September 27.  
George Baldwin and Susan Altizer, September 30.  
John King and Sallie Bandy, October 1.  
George F. Bruster and Patsy Beavers, October 2.  
Elbert Necessary and Jane Lester, October 4.  
Richard Smoot and Ellen W. Witten, October 4.  
David L. Thomas and Dicy Barding, October 4.  
James Candler and Sarah T. Gibson, October 10.  
Alexander Hendriks and Agnes George, October 11.  
Eli Rose and Mary Havnes, October 18.  
Harvey Walker and Eliza Beavers, October 23.

Joseph Johnston and Mary A. Wade, October 24.  
Leonidas L. Brooks and Elizabeth Chiddix, October 24.  
Demsey Smith and Lucretia McGuire, October 24.  
William P. Floyd and Francis Gilman, October 25.  
John Sizemore and Matilda Lockhart, October 29.  
John McGilda and Emily J. French, October 30.  
Tazewell Hinkel and Amanda E. Allen, November 1.  
William F. Cregar and Mary Brown, November 7.  
James M. Broyles and Martha E. East, November 7.  
Clinton Brown and Mary A. Barnett, November 8.  
James Sutherland and Sarah Johnson, November 8.  
M. F. Williams and Mary W. Rogers, November 8.  
C. Helmandollar and Eliza J. Dale, November 15.  
Harvy Claypool and Rachel Christian, November 15.  
David Alley and Susan Peery, November 15.  
Henry Wynn and Milly Bane, November 19.  
Ballard P. Snider and L. E. Carbaugh, November 20.  
John A. Barnett and Margaret J. Boling, November 22.  
Reec T. Phillips and Elizabeth Landreth, November 22.  
Gabriel C. Fox and R. J. Crabtree, November 24.  
Marshall Peery and R. S. Thompson, November 29.  
Joseph T. Gross and Nancy Low, November 29.  
Archibald Bowman and Elizabeth Whitt, December 3.  
Fabius L. Deaton and Regina Shrader, December 5.  
John F. Kirk and Ann Caldwell, December 5.  
Joshua Rose and Rebecca Woosley, December 5.  
Teny Watson and Ginsey Helbert, December 6.  
Walter Osburn and Mary Tabor, December 12.  
Leander Holly and Levina Edmondson, December 12.  
George Hankins and Charlotte Helbert, December 18.  
Hugh J. Whitley and Elvira N. Neel, December 24.  
B. F. Macom and Lumma S. Carter, December 25.  
Adam C. Waggoner and Malissa T. Holbrooks, December 25.  
Leonard H. Payne and Nancy Miller, December 25.  
Thomas E. Poe and Nancy E. Belcher, December 27.  
Milton Harris and Elizabeth Thomas, December 27.



*Certificates of Marriages Irregularly Returned.*

1864

John A. Tabor and Martha A. Compton, August 2.  
John H. Simpson and Francis J. Whitt, September 1.  
Campbell B. Greever and Louisa C. Henneger, October 12.  
James A. Vail and Martha J. Layne, October 18.  
Robert Gillespie and Sarah A. Ratliff, October 27.  
Simon E. Stephenson and P. T. Blackwell, November 3.  
William Steel and Salina A. Scott, November 8.  
William A. Bird and Nancy J. Phillips, November 12.  
Milburn Whitt and Mary E. Kanady, August 17.  
Thomas Noel and Martha J. Crockett, December 22.

1865

Levi D. Massey and Clementine Reed, February 28.  
John D. Greever and Mary E. Spracher, October 10.  
James C. Dudley and Mariah S. Tabor, October 26.  
John W. Baylor and Mary F. Anderson, November 6.

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Stephen Catron and Elender J. Cline, January 1.  
Wm. Blankenship and Anna Lewis, January 9.  
W. L. Spracher and Anna L. Greever, January 10.  
Rush F. Patterson and Mary E. Cowan, January 10.  
Jno. P. Elswick and Nancy Jane Lester, January 14.  
Chas. T. Gillespie and S. C. Mosse, January 16.  
Rees Brooks and Martha Thompson, January 17.  
Jno. Hand and Sarah Hance, January 19.  
Samuel Holly and Mary Thompson, January 23.  
Thos. Horton and Levina Ann Kindricks, January 23.  
Henry Hale and Maria Bane, January 24.  
Peter Mitchell and Mary Witten, January 24.  
Taylor Nipper and Sarah Green, January 24.  
Hugh B. French and Mary A. Billips, January 24.  
Chas. A. Bourne and Angeline Britts, January 27.  
Miles B. Boland (Roland) and Mary E. Neel, January 30.  
William Gross and Ellen S. Hall, January 31.  
Solomon Carter and Susannah Carter, January 31.  
Ruben A. White and Susan Quicksall, January 31.

Henry M. Jones and Louisa J. Gillespie, February 7.  
John W. Boling and Ellen Pack, February 7.  
Thomas G. Brewster and Rebecca Christian, February 7.  
Charles Brooks and Elizabeth E. Kinder, February 7.  
Rees Thompson and Sally Young, February 7.  
Peter Rakes and Martesa Nelson, February 11.  
H. Calloway and M. Stilwell, February 11.  
William F. McGuire and Angeline Phillips, February 14.  
William Juell and Elizabeth Baldwin, February 17.  
Wesley Baldwin and Catherine Altizer, February 20.  
John C. Wingo and Margaret McGuire, February 21.  
Alexander McGlothlin and Sarah A. Griffiths, February 21.  
Daniel H. Woodall and Rebecca Burrass, February 21.  
Oscar Harris and Fanny Holly, February 21.  
Joe Mitchell and Mary Holly, February 21.  
Andrew J. Havens and Emily Yost, February 21.  
William McGuire and Rebecca Mitchell, February 26.  
John W. Arms and Nancy Prewett, February 27.  
Jos. D. Vencil and Olivia Davis, February 27.  
Ballard P. Johnson and Nancy Kinder, February 28.  
Wm. Nipper and Mary Green, February 28.  
Tobias Hilt and Eliza Chiddix, March 5.  
W. A. Moore and Mary C. Grubb, March 7.  
Wm. B. Marrs and Sarah Moore, March 7.  
Wm. M. Pack and Rebecca Deskins, March 13.  
Jesse M. N. Thompson and Mary A. Thompson, March 14.  
Allen P. Davis and Barbary V. Barnett, March 14.  
Lewis M. Day and Barbary E. Wynn, March 18.  
W. G. W. Crewey and Sarah J. Books (Brooks), March 20.  
Thos. C. Christian and Euphemie A. Chambers, March 20.  
John W. Collins and Maria Theresa Cline, April 3.  
Robert G. Crockett and M. E. Witten, April 10.  
Geo. Howard and Letitia Johnson, April 17.  
John Witt and Mary Deskins, April 18.  
Legrand Sexton and Kate Koof, April 23.  
Francis M. McGuire and Victoria L. Harrisson, May 14.  
Anderson D. Hambrick and Laura Jane Crockett, May 15.  
Jos. A. Murrell and Sallie W. Gillespie, May 15.  
Smith Lockhart and Josephine S. Barrett, May 22.

- Byrd Whitman and Mary Jane Thompson, May 30.  
Wm. Vencill and Martha M. Maxwell, May 30.  
Geo. M. Spracher and Buenvista Baugh, May 30.  
Israel Nelson and Susan Paton, June 6.  
James McCulla and Sallie Harman, June 11.  
John Nipper and Mary Griffiths, July 1.  
E. F. Harman and Sarah Ann Reynolds, July 1.  
Samuel Puckett and Mary Davis, July 3.  
W. A. Harrisson and Matilda Waldron, July 4.  
Frank Witten and Martha Witten, July 7.  
Jno. T. Sparks and Elizabeth Sparks, July 9.  
W. A. Elliott and Nancy Fisher, July 9.  
Wm. Kimbel and Rebecca Spence, July 10.  
Jacob Deskins and Leticia Johnson, July 11.  
Edmond Patrick and Hannah Mullins, July 17.  
A. W. Adkins and Rebecca J. Dills, July 21.  
Peter Grubb and Rose Ann Spence, July 24.  
Thos. Crutchfield and Malinda J. Puckett, July 31.  
Arch R. White and Nancy C. Smith, July 31.  
Arch M. White and Emeline Lee, August 4.  
Anderson Ward and Martha Thompson, August 8.  
Wm. H. Blankenship and Anna L. Vance, August 8.  
Jno. Leedy and Rhoda A. Baugh, August 8.  
Isaac Patrick and Rebecca J. Leedy, August 21.  
Daniel Crouse and Rebecca J. Asbury, August 22.  
Jacob P. Leffel and Frances E. Walker, August 27.  
Rufus Helbert and Dorinda Brown, September 5.  
John Williams and Harriet Peery, September 8.  
Nicholas O. Sayers and Susan M. Nuckles, September 12.  
John Whitaker and Nancy Nuckles, September 14.  
Milton Juell and Sarah Stephenson, September 16.  
Edward H. Davis and Zerilda Dills, September 19.  
Arch White and Mary Gray, September 26.  
Richard H. Deskins and Eveline D. Brown, September 26.  
John Sluss and Elizabeth H. Bowman, October 8.  
A. J. Copenhaver and Eliza J. Barns, October 10.  
Jos. (Jas) Coldwell and Sarah J. Blankenship, October 17.  
Noah C. Wheeler and Nancy E. Stephenson, October 17.  
Maxwell M. Pruett and Maddissonia Calvert, October 29.



Thos. E. Bown and Mary E. Wynn, October 31.  
Jas. (Jos) C. Gibson and Maria C. Burkett, November 7.  
Geo. S. Peery and Electry A. Harman, November 7.  
G. W. G. Brown and Louisa J. Gillespie, November 8.  
Thos. Hankins and Margaret E. Gillespie, November 8.  
Isaac Wimmer and Rebecca Belsher, November 10.  
Oscar C. Duff and Louisa Young, November 12.  
Almarine Jones and Martha Russell, November 14.  
Jonathan Whitt and Elizabeth Baldwin, November 14.  
Pearis G. Helmandollar and Sarah Philips, November 21.  
Milton Henkel and Rachel Whitt, November 21.  
Jas. (Jos) Pike and Lavina C. Wilson, November 27.  
Wm. Newton and Rosella R. Burton, November 28.  
Daniel Harris and Louisa Preston, November 30.  
W. T. Baldwin and Alice C. Fields, December 4.  
Alex. Hall and Mary F. Huzzy, December 5.  
James Peery and Mary L. Spotts, December 5.  
Geo. Johnson and Sarah W. Holly, December 5.  
W. J. McGuire and Mary E. Wingo, December 10.  
Jeb M. Ratcliff and Louisa M. Witten, December 12.  
Howard Ratcliff and Louisa B. Williams, December 12.  
Geo. H. Wallis and Elizabeth Waldron, December 12.  
Alexander Trigg and Rosannah Crockett, December 12.  
Cary Banks and Matilda Lewis, December 14.  
Jos. (Jas) W. Stephenson and Harriet E. Alley, December 17.  
Jas. (Jos) T. Moore and Sarah A. W. Coldwell, December 18.  
Robt. W. Myers and Elizabeth R. Havens, December 18.  
Alexander Marrs and Sophronia Gose, December 25.  
Abram Thomas and Ann Toomy, December 25.  
David Frow and Mary Ann Witten, December 25.  
James Calfee and Irene Calfee, January 6.  
Geo. W. Wynn and Elizabeth Rudy, December 18.

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*Record Irregularly Returned.*

1863

John R. Stricklen and Judy Ann Ratcliff, August 14.  
Wm. P. Atwell and Ann Kinder, November 24.

## 1864

Jefferson Long and Elizabeth Arms, January 1.

Armor Delong and Eliza West, March 3.

Isaac Patrick and Mary E. Calvert, June 9.

## 1865

Jos. (Jas) A. Crockett and Mary Crockett, May 25.

## 1866

Saml. Blevins and Nancy Privet, August 19.

Jno. Cregar and Julian Rudd, September 20.

Paterson Richard and Mary Hale, November 1.

George Lewis and Mary Thompson, December 4.

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1868

Wm. Peery and Mary B. Dudley, January 11.

J. A. Harman and S. E. Neel, April 8.

C. T. Scott and Cynthia Gibson, March 25.

Aaron H. Bailey and Arminta Hall or Hull, April 11.

Roland Blankenship and Jane Johnson, May 20.

Oscar F. Barns and Mary Gillespie, May 20.

Joel Sparks and Lydia Hankins, May 26.

Haster M. White and Rebecca Patrick, May 27.

G. W. C. Lauson (Lanson) and Sallie Southerland, July 1.

L. C. Osborn and Laura A. Huzzy, June 30.

J. W. Cornwell and Jemima Kinder, August 4.

Tirew Bowman and Polly Ann Halsy (Hulsy), July 30.

Wm. Tribulary and Rebecca Martin, July 29.

Lewis N. Wiley and Mary M. Kennady, July 22.

T. L. Painter and Elvina P. Gillespie, July 27.

Joseph S. Moss and Magaret L. Vail, September 1.

John Warren and Eliz McClanahan, August 5.

George G. Hays and Pheoba Ivins, August 12.

C. Sizemore and Mary Barnett, August 26.

Green B. Swango and Eliza Young, August 26.

Thomas Barrett and Elizabet Hankins, October 5.

Saml. H. Gill and M. T. McDowell, September 30.

Anderson Buchanan and Ann Young, September 16.

James Runion and Wilmath Gross, September 2.

Robert Holliday and Ellen Johnson, September 22.  
Thomas E. Tackett and Martha C. Turner (Tanner) October 29.  
Isaac George and Letitia Warren, November 10.  
John R. Thompson and Sarah Moss, October 18.  
Reese Moore and Mary Barns, October 4.  
Robert Brewster and Amanda Pack, October 21.  
John C. Akers and Sarah F. George, October 28.  
H. L. Franklin and Louisa C. Tabor, October 28.  
Albert Witten and Matilda Smith, October 28.  
Thos. Stephenson and M. D. H. Wade, October 7.  
Thos. Jewell and Nancy Brown, October 2.  
Thos. A. White and Ellen Mercer, July 23.  
Austin Sparks and Mary Mitchell, July 29.  
Baker D. Walls and Elizabeth Walls, October 5.  
Shannon Asbury and Pamela Harrisson, November 25.  
Mathias Beavers and Ruthy Christian, November 11.  
James F. Fergerson and Mariah T. Crockett, December 7.  
Wade H. Fergerson and Edney D. Crockett, December 7.  
Isaac Harman and Tennessee Woods (colored), December 3.  
Umphrey Wisdom and M. J. Thompson, December 31.  
T. J. Stephenson and Nancy E. Oney, December 23.  
H. W. Lambert and Ann Hanshew, December 25, 1865.  
Ballard Myers and Emily C. McClure, October 1.  
Giles Sanders and Caroline Campbell, October 8.  
Geo. R. Hager and Margaret Repass, October 8.  
Wm. P. Martin and Adeline Harper, September 18.  
Wm. C. Fox and Elizabeth Brannon, September 22.  
Wm. Johnston and Nellie Coleman, September 10.  
Ervile Hale and Kitty Cecil, April 9.  
Thos. Robinson and Nancy Lambert, October 22.  
John Ratliffe and Martha E. Broyles, October 13.  
Mitchell Harman and Ellen Woods, October 28.  
Griffie Griffiths and Peggy Green, October 22.  
Chas. H. Greever and Mar J. Hedrick, October 20.  
Jno. R. Gildersleeve and Eliza M. Witten, October 28.  
J. E. Stallings (Stollings) and Ella Craft, July 30.  
Richd. Johnson and Elizabeth Dickinson, October 15.  
Isaac Johnson and Nancy Griffey, July 13.  
Jackson Shannon and Kittie McClure, October 29.



- H. A. McGuire and Eliza McGraw, September 3.  
J. D. Alexander and Maggie E. Peery, February 27.  
Pleasant Bailey and Caroline Pruitt, September 17.  
Reese Thompson and Ellen J. Harman, September 23.  
John Starr and Rebecca Ann Spense, July 17.  
George Thompson and Elizabeth Moore, January 30.  
Calvin Edwards and Mary A. Thompson, July 10.  
John W. Leedy and Martha J. Neel, April 2.  
Robert Bowman and Margaret Billips, March 17.  
Witten Cecil and Elizabeth Hurt, June 30.  
B. D. S. (G) Watkins and Mahala Whitt, March 24.  
S. C. Brooks and Sophia Hash, March 5.  
Talbert Elswick and May Compton, June 5.  
S. W. Jeter and Mary H. Gildersleeve, July 21.  
D. A. Gibson and Jane Lester, April 16.  
Jonth. McDowell and Lou Thompson, July 4.  
J. Pauley and Ellen Tucker, June 25.  
J. A. McFarlane and Louisa A. Hurt, June 4.  
G. W. Gretter and Isabelle Smith, May 13.  
C. C. Yost and Ellenor V. Bandy, May 20.  
A. J. Dudley and Annie E. Wolfe, February 5.  
Wm. L. Shrader and Lettie George, July 30.  
Braxton J. Moses and Harriet T. McClure, July 2.  
Chas. C. Fields and Mary Ann Deskins, June 2.  
Joseph Witt and Fannie Lockhart, January 2.  
Saml. H. Puckett and Elvita J. Harris, January 1, (1867).  
Ezekiel Osborn and Mary Buchanan, March, 1868.  
Robt. Lester and Malinda Compton, March 19.  
A. J. Thompson and Emily Yost, January 30.  
Deskins Green and Cosbia Gibson, January 23.

### CHAPTER III.

COUNTY COURT LAW ORDERS FROM 1853 TO MARCH TERM 1870,  
ON WHICH DATE THE COUNTY COURT SYSTEM, IN WHICH  
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE COMPOSED THE COURT EXPIRED.

(See Vol. I for similar records from 1800 to 1852).

1853

*February Term.* Rufus C. Gillespie qualifies as Deputy Sheriff.

Ordered, that Betsy, Polly and Cynthia Holly, Elizabeth Holly, James Holly and Edmond Holly, free persons of color, be allowed to register in the clerk's office of this Court, and the clerk certify the same.

Hezekiah A. Harman directed to survey and plat the 50,000 acre Nicholas survey.

*March Term.* Ordered, that George Chapman, a free man of color, be allowed to register with the clerk of this Court, etc.

*April Term.* Wm. O. Yost qualified as a Justice of the Peace, having been appointed by the Governor of Virginia for a term of four years.

Election precincts at this date: Courthouse, Burk's Garden, Clear Fork, Bluestone, Tug, Liberty Hill, Poor Valley, Mouth of Indian, Dry Fork, Mouth of Slate, Head of Slate. Commissioners were appointed to hold the election at the respective precincts.

*June Term.* On application of Joseph Thompson, a free man of color, he is permitted to remain in the Commonwealth, having proven his good character, sober, peaceable, orderly and industrious.

William C. Bane admitted to practice law in this Court.

French Harman qualified as deputy for Kiah Harman, Surveyor of this county.

William P. Cecil qualified as Attorney for the Commonwealth for Tazewell county.

Rachel Maloney, widow of Archibald Maloney, a Revolutionary soldier, was certified as such, so she might receive one-half of the pension previously paid to her husband by the United States Government. She proved her declaration by Moses Christian and Jacob White.

*September Term.* Jas. P. Kelly and Patrick Hagan recommended for license to practice law.

Henry B. Harman returned a plat of the ————C. Nicholas 50,000 acre survey, which plat was ordered to be recorded.

*December Term.* John B. Harman and Daniel H. Harman qualified as deputies for John W. Gillespie, Sheriff of this county.

1854

*March Term.* James P. Kelly admitted to practice law in this Court.

Nancy Spence, widow, filed a declaration for a pension to widows of Revolutionary soldiers; was approved by the Court.

*June Term.* George W. Deskins qualified as Sheriff of Tazewell county.

John C. McDonald appointed to superintend the macadamizing of one-half the street in front of the Courthouse.

Ebenezer S. Howard and Daniel H. Harman and James H. Gillespie, appointed deputies for Geo. W. Deskins, Sheriff of the county.

*November Term.* WHEREAS, the Court has learned, with deep regret that since its last term Col. John B. George, Presiding Justice thereof, has departed this life:

*Resolved,* That in his death this court and this community has lost a most worthy and efficient citizen and officer, one who as the Presiding Justice of this Court, faithfully, impartially and ably discharged his duties and who, in private life, had deservedly acquired the respect, good wishes and esteem of those with whom he associated.

*Resolved,* That these resolutions be spread upon the record and that a copy be communicated to his family and published in the *Southwestern Advocate and Richmond Examiner*.

Thomas Peery was elected by the twenty-one justices present to be Presiding Justice of the Court.

*December Term.* A. A. Spotts, Superintendent of Schools for this county entered into bond with H. R. Bogle, his surety, in the penalty of \$3,000.00, which bond was received by the Court and ordered to be recorded. (Mr. Spotts appears to be the first Superintendent of the Schools of Tazewell county.)

1855

*May Term.* John Allen appointed a deputy for Geo. W. Deskins, Sheriff of the county.



Samuel W. Austin qualified deputy surveyor for Kiah Harman, Surveyor of the county.

*June Term.* John E. Stefenaure, a native of Switzerland, declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States.

*August Term.* Elias Harman qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Samuel M. Witten qualifies as deputy for Geo. W. Deskins, Sheriff of the county.

Alexander McMullin appointed deputy for Geo. W. Deskins, Sheriff of this county.

*October Term.* James M. English qualified to practice law in this Court.

Hugh Dillon, a native of Ireland, completed his naturalization as a citizen of the United States, having resided here five years.

1856

*January Term.* Washington Spotts appointed by the Board of School Commissioners Superintendent of the Schools for Tazewell county for the year commencing January 1, 1856.

*February Term.* Andrew P. Moore appointed deputy for Geo. W. Deskins, Sheriff of the county.

A. F. Henderson admitted to practice law in this Court.

*July Term.* Ebenezer S. Howard qualified as Sheriff of the county.

Archibald Peery qualified as Attorney for the Commonwealth for a term of four years from July 1, 1856.

Reese B. Gillespie, Jr., John Allen, Daniel H. Harman, Alexander McClanahan, James W. Neel and E. S. Howard, deputies for Geo. W. Deskins, sheriff of the county. Said Deskins being required by law to hold over during this term.

John Daugherty, a native of Ireland, appeared before the clerk and declared that it was his intention to become a citizen of the United States.

Andrew P. Moore qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*August Term.* Wm. W. Dunn qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*October Term.* Bernard Kenedy declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States and renounce allegiance to Queen Victoria of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

*Begin at first of "Minutes," 1856 to —.*

*October Term.* Ordered, that hereafter the justices shall serve

in classes of three each, except Class No. 2 to be composed of four, and that there shall be thirteen; and that said classes serve alternately during this Court now in office; Class No. 1 holding the present Court.

James R. Witten and Thomas Nickell qualified as deputies for Geo. W. Deskins, Sheriff of the county.

*November Term.* Wm. P. Linkous authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

B. W. Williams, qualified to practice law in this Court.

George W. Deskins, Reese B. Gillespie, Alexander McClanahan, Richard Vance, Daniel H. Harman, John B. Harman, James R. Witten, Thomas Nickall and James W. Neel were appointed deputies for E. S. Howard, Sheriff of the county.

#### 1857

*January Term.* David J. Gillespie, appointed deputy for E. S. Howard, Sheriff of the County.

Frank Cousins, a free man of color, is granted leave to register in this Court.

*February Term.* Samuel M. Witten appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

*July Term.* John W. Stallard qualified to practice law.

*October Term.* William L. Parrack appointed a deputy clerk of this Court.

*December Term.* Jonathan Lyon a Presbyterian minister, was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

#### 1858

*January Term.* Robert Barnes appointed deputy for E. S. Howard, Sheriff of the county.

*March Term.* On recommendation of Kiah Harman, Surveyor of this county, the Court doth appoint Henry S. Bowen, John W. Taylor, William H. Brown and Robert Smith as his deputies.

*June Term.* Rufus Brittain, who hath been elected Surveyor of this county for the term of six years, beginning on the first day of July, 1858, this day came into court and, together with Francis M. Peery, Robert Maxwell and Robert Smith, his sureties, entered into a bond in the penalty of \$3,000.00, conditioned according to law.

It appearing to the Court that the number of Justices for this county has been decreased by the formation of the counties of Buchanan and McDowell, and all of the acting Justices of this

county having been summoned for the purpose, and a majority being present, they proceeded to reclassify as follows:

Class No. 1. John M. Witten and William E. Neel.

Class No. 2. Miles Claypool and Robert C. Graham.

Class No. 3. Abel Hankins and Jefferson Matney.

Class No. 4. Bird Lockhart, Stephen Gose and James L. Reynolds.

Class No. 5. William H. Buchanan and John W. Taylor.

Class No. 6. William B. Young and Hervey George.

Class No. 7. John I. Crockett and Resin R. Steel.

Class No. 8. William P. Bane and Rees T. Bowen.

Class No. 9. Peter H. Dills and Joseph C. Brown.

And it is ordered that said classes, in connection with Thomas Peery, the Presiding Justice, serve alternately in Court during their continuance in office. Class No. 1 holding the next Court."

Ordered that the Sheriff of this county be fined \$10.00, to the use of the Commonwealth, for failing to attend Court on this day.

John C. Harrison qualified as Sheriff of the county for a term of two years, commencing on the first day of January, 1859.

James W. Neel is now and has been Jailer of the county for several years.

James W. Thompson, clerk of this Court, this day appointed Patton R. Spracher his deputy.

James T. Cleaves qualified to practice law in this Court.

Samuel W. Austin authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Robert Smith appointed State Coroner for this county, by the Governor, qualified as such.

*October Term.* Charles Taylor appointed Deputy Sheriff.

*December Term.* Elias G. W. Harman appointed a director of the Tazewell Courthouse and Fancy Gap Turnpike.

John C. Harrison, Sheriff of this county, this day appointed Charles Taylor, Robert Barnes, David J. Gillespie, E. S. Howard, Thomas H. Gillespie, Cornelius A. Bussey and Thomas G. Witten his deputies.

1859

*February Term.* Joseph Harrison appointed Deputy Sheriff.

*March Term.* Robert Gillespie, Jr., and James S. Witten appointed Deputy Sheriffs.



*April Term.* Edwin H. Harman and J. Mosebey Davis appointed administrators of Peter H. Dills, deceased, and gave bond in the penalty of \$30,000.00, with William P. Cecil, Henry P. McDowell, James R. Witten and Reuben C. Fudge, sureties.

On application of George Chapman, a free man of color, leave is granted him to register in the clerk's office of this Court.

*June Term.* E. F. Tiller qualified to practice law in this Court.

Patton J. Lockhart authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Eli Steel appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

*August Term.* John P. Sheffey qualified to practice law in this Court.

John Allen appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

*November Term.* Henry S. Bowen, appointed Deputy Surveyor of this county.

#### 1860

*February Term.* Robert Crockett, Jr., and I. B. Davis admitted to practice law in this Court.

*June Term.* Charles Taylor, who was on the 24th day of May, 1860, elected Sheriff, qualified as sheriff of the county to serve for the term of two years from June 1, 1861.

Thomas A. Peery appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

Archibald Peery, who was on the 24th day of May, 1860, by the qualified voters of this county, elected Attorney for the Commonwealth of this county for the term of four years, commencing the 1st day of July, 1860, this day came into court and qualified as such attorney by taking the several oaths prescribed by law.

WHEREAS, since the last term of this Court it hath pleased an All-Wise Providence, in its mysterious dispensations, to remove from among us our esteemed and valued associate, Thomas Peery, Esq., the late Presiding Justice of this Court, be it therefore resolved by this Court:

1. That while we bow in humble submission to this dispensation of an inscrutable Providence, we cannot refrain from an expression of our sincere and deep regret at an event which deprives this court of a faithful and efficient presiding officer and the community of a valuable citizen.

2. That we feel in our said bereavement a melancholy pleasure

to be able to express our admiration and exalted opinion of the pure and unblemished character of our deceased associate and friend and our high appreciation of his unvarying fidelity to every trust committed to his care.

3. That we tender to his bereaved family our tenderest sympathies for their irreparable loss.

Ordered, that these resolutions be entered upon the record of this court and published in the *Tazewell Democrat*. Also that a copy thereof be sent by the clerk of the court to the family of the deceased.

Kiah Billips and Wm. J. Clark qualified as deputy sheriffs on motion of John C. Harman, Sheriff.

Reese B. Edmonds admitted to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* William Hankins appointed Deputy Sheriff. ..

Rees T. Bowen was chosen Presiding Justice.

*September Term.* Robert Smith appointed deputy for Rufus Brittain, Surveyor of the county.

*October Term.* The Court this day rented to the Tazewell Lodge of the Free Masons the grand jury room for the sum of \$20.00 for six months. Said room to be used once a month.

*November Term.* Divided the county into nine patrol districts and appointed a captain for each district and several privates to serve under the captains.

#### 1861

*January Term.* Charles Taylor, Sheriff, this day appointed the following deputies, viz.: H. R. Bogle, C. A. Bussey, Thomas A. Peery, William Hankins, Thomas Nickall, Kiah Billips and Wm. J. Clark.

*June Term.* Ordered, that Thomas J. Higginbotham and Joseph Meek be appointed Commissioners and required to examine all and every account and claim which may be brought forward against the county on account of the volunteers who have left this county for the service of the Confederate States, the said Commissioners shall not allow any items in said accounts which were not for articles necessary to the use and comfort of the volunteers as soldiers and shall also reject any charge for the uniforms of the officers. They shall furthermore fix only a just and reasonable price for the items allowed and give orders for the amounts due on J. Stras, to be by him paid out of the funds laid in his name at this Court. The said



Commissioners are moreover required to equip, in a plain, substantial and comfortable manner the company of volunteers now said to be organized in the county under Francis Kelly and draw on J. Stras as before mentioned. It is further ordered that the said Commissioners shall, if a horse company of volunteers shall be organized in the county to join the brigade of John B. Floyd, purchase for such of said company as may not be able to obtain horses for themselves, so many horses, saddles and bridles as shall not exceed the sum of \$8,000.00 for which orders shall be given on said Stras, by the Commissioner of the county as aforesaid; but the horses, etc., so purchased and furnished shall be held as the property of the county and receipt shall be taken for their return to Higginbotham & Meek, if said horses shall be living when the volunteers return; John C. Higginbotham & Co. and Rees B. Higginbotham for articles furnished the volunteers, and the said Thomas J. Higginbotham and David H. Peery refusing to act as Commissioners on the accounts of John C. Higginbotham & Co. and Rees B. Higginbotham.

I. B. Steel, appointed Deputy Sheriff and Jailer of the county.

Pursuant to an ordinance of the Convention of Virginia, passed on the — day of ———, 1861, the Court doth appoint the following persons an additional police force for this county, viz.: John A. McCall, Samuel Crockett, Alexander Beavers (of Moses), Mathias S. Harman, Jacob White, Archibald Prewett, Carter Hankins, Richard Crouse, Daniel Christian, William Bandy, William Fields, Andrew Brewster (of James), Richard Steel, William Fogleman, John A. Brown, Axley Lockhart and Calvin Nuckolls for the west end; James H. Tabor, Erastus G. Brown, Hugh Dudley, William E. Compton, James H. Flummer, Joseph McClarity, Thomas Ferguson, Wm. W. Wallace, William Summers and William Carter for the east end, and who being first qualified by taking the oaths of fidelity to the Commonwealth and to discharge the duties devolved upon them under the said ordinance.

*July Term.* Ordered, that J. Stras pay to T. J. Higginbotham, when collected, the money appropriated by this county to purchase horses, saddles, etc., for the cavalry company.

Ordered that J. Stras do accept and pay the orders drawn upon him by either of the Commissioners, Joseph Meek and T. J. Higginbotham, instead of the order signed by both of the Commissioners, as required by the order entered at June term last.



It is ordered by the Court that Joseph Stras pay to Peter Litz \$81.87 out of any money that may be in his hands belonging to the county, for powder, lead, shot and hauling guns, etc.

*August Term.* Ordered by the Court that David H. Peery is hereby appointed a Commissioner to purchase homade jeans, domestic cloth for tents and shoes to equip a company of volunteers.

1862

*January Term.* Henry L. Gillespie admitted to practice law in this Court.

John King, a free person of color, permitted to remain in the Commonwealth.

Isaac S. Samuels admitted to practice law in this Court.

Joseph Stras qualified as administrator of the estate in this county of James S. Witten, deceased, and executed a bond in the penalty of \$40,000.00, with David H. Peery, H. G. Peery and Robert Barnes as sureties. (Note—This is noted for the reason that it is the largest bond so far that an administrator has ever given, indicating that the deceased was the owner of more personal property than any others whose estate had previously gone into the hands of an administrator.)

*April Term.* Pursuant to act of General Assembly of Virginia, passed on 24th of January, 1862, the following colored persons, between the ages of eighteen and fifty years of age, were enrolled, thereby being entitled to remain in this country, viz.: Jackson Armstrong, Ezekial Holly, James Cousins, Daniel Smith, William Shaver, John King, Mathias King, Andrew J. Holly, George Chapman, Granville Lewis, Johnson Warren and William Roten.

*May Term.* It appearing to the Court that a company of partizan rangers has been organized and that Elias V. Harman has been elected captain, and it further appearing that said company has not yet been mustered into the service of the Confederate States, this Court deems it proper to supply said company with provisions and ammunition in the event that the Confederate States shall fail to do so; therefore it is ordered that J. Stras, as agent of this county, shall, out of any monies which may come to his hands, pay to James W. Thompson, such sum, not exceeding \$500.00 as may be necessary to supply said company with provisions and ammunition, and said Thompson is hereby required to expend such money in

a proper and judicial manner for the supply of provisions and ammunition to said company and return an account thereof to this Court. But this order is not to be operative if said company be supplied by the Confederate States.

*July Term.* H. R. Bogle qualified as Sheriff of the county, having been duly elected by the qualified voters at an election held on May 22, 1862; his term to begin on January 1, 1863.

Ordered, that the horses purchased by the county of Tazewell and loaned to Captain J. C. McDonald (now Captain George Spotts) cavalry, be sold at their original cost to said cavalry by James W. Thompson, clerk of this Court, and in the event of a refusal to purchase said horses, the said James W. Thompson is hereby required to reclaim said horses at the end of the year for which the said cavalry enlisted and to dispose of said horses for the use of the county.

*October Term.* It being impracticable to hold Court in the county of Buchanan on account of the threatened invasion by the enemy of that county. Under the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, providing that in such event any adjacent county should take jurisdiction in certain matters, George W. Hagy, Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue of said county, presented an account against the Commonwealth for services rendered in 1860, which account was allowed.

Commissioners and conductors were appointed to hold and conduct the judicial election on the 16th day of October, 1862, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Samuel V. Fulkerson, deceased, late Judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit. (Note—It may be interesting to many to know that the people elected Circuit Judges in 1862. They are now elected by the General Assembly.)

Ordered, that Joseph Stras, Commissioner of this county, pay to D. H. Peery \$197.13 for goods furnished Captain George Gose's company.

*December Term.* The court, deeming it proper to make provision for the actually destitute and suffering families of soldiers of the county do authorize \$8,000.00 to be issued in notes of the county, one-half payable January 1, 1864, and the remainder January 1, 1865. The said notes shall be signed by J. W. Thompson, J. Stras, agents appointed by a former order. The Court doth further ap-



point John I. Crockett and W. H. Buchanan in the Town district; Clinton Barnes and William Chiddix in the Liberty Hill district; Abel Hankins and R. R. Steel in the Indian Creek district; S. F. Watts and Stephen Spracher in the Clear Fork district; Wm. L. Moore and Wm. R. Bane in the Bluestone district; who are authorized and required to furnish and supply the actually destitute and suffering families of the soldiers from this county with food suitable to the condition and station, and the said Thompson and Stras are authorized to advance to the persons appointed in the districts above mentioned such sums, out of the \$8,000.00 to be issued, as may be absolutely necessary to effectuate the purpose and objects intended by this order. The said John I. Crockett and the other persons, appointed to furnish supplies of food to families as aforesaid, shall make regular reports of their proceedings to this Court at each of its sittings of their proceedings and shall return vouchers or receipts from each person to whom anything shall be furnished, stating the article furnished and the quantity.

## 1863

*January Term.* Thomas Nickell appointed deputy for H. R. Bogle, Sheriff.

*February Term.* Ordered, that Joseph Stras, Commissioner of the county, pay to James Davis \$12.00 for services rendered as a justice in the year 1861, which was not allowed at June Court, 1861. This is the first payment noted made to justices of the peace for their services—*June Term, 1861.* (See p. 3.)

*April Term.* Ordered, that J. W. Thompson, one of the agents appointed to sign the county notes, be authorized to borrow \$2,000.00 from the Grazier's Bank for the use of the county in buying supplies for the destitute and suffering families of soldiers, the said amount to be equally divided among the persons appointed by a former order of the Court to buy said supplies, and the persons so appointed to receipt said Thompson for the amount received by each of them.

*July Term.* William W. Peery was appointed County Agent to make distribution of salt according to the regulations of the State Agent.

John H. Elliot admitted to practice law in this Court.

John W. Stowers appointed Deputy Sheriff.



*December Term.* Ordered, that the Sheriff of this county return to the next term of this Court a list of the families of indigent and disabled soldiers.

Jeremiah McGuire appointed Deputy Sheriff.

The County of Tazewell, and especially the town of Jeffersonville and its vicinity, being much infested by deserters and other soldiers straggling from their commands, who are continually stealing and committing divers other outrages, the Court of the county of Tazewell deem it proper and absolutely necessary that the citizens should be protected, if possible, from further injuries. The Court therefore respectfully requests that Major Stringfellow, Assistant Adjutant-General, to appoint a Provost Marshall, with a guard of sixteen or eighteen soldiers at Tazewell Courthouse, and the Court further suggests Lieutenant Lafayette Samuels, of the Sixteenth Regiment of Virginia Cavalry, as a suitable and proper person for Provost Marshall. It is ordered that the clerk of this Court forward a copy of this order to Major Stringfellow.

The Sheriff of this county and the Justices of the various districts, on this day returned a list of indigent soldiers and their families in this county, which lists are made in pursuance of the act of the General Assembly of October 3, 1863; and the Court, now proceeding to carry the said act into affect, doth appoint one agent for each magisterial district, to-wit: W. H. Buchanan of Town district; Robert Barnes for Liberty Hill district; Abel Hankins for Indian Creek district; Z. S. Witten for Bluestone district, and D. G. Shawver for Clear Fork district. And the Court doth further appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the support of the families on said list—that is \$1,000.00 to each district, and hereby authorize the said agents to purchase provisions with said funds and to distribute the same among the families of said indigent soldiers specified in said lists. And for the purpose of raising said funds, James W. Thompson is hereby appointed an agent and authorized to borrow for the county the said sum of \$5,000.00 and to pay the same to said agents of the districts before appointed. And the said Thompson, agent as aforesaid, is further empowered to execute the bonds of this county for the monies borrowed by him under this order and to include in said bonds interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

1864

*January Term.* Ordered, that the agents appointed to furnish supplies to soldier's families in this county do not furnish more than one pound of meal or flour per day to each person.

*February Special Term.* At a special Court of the county of Tazewell, convened at the Courthouse on Friday, the 26th day of February, 1864, upon a writ, summoning the justices of said county to take into consideration a requisition for slaves to labor on fortifications at Richmond.

Present. Hervey George, presiding; William H. Buchanan, J. R. Witten, Sterling F. Watts and William R. Bane, Justices.

Before proceeding to a discharge of the duties imposed by the Act of March 13, 1863, this Court would respectfully suggest to the Governor of Virginia the propriety—nay the necessity—of exempting the county of Tazewell from the operation of said act. Nothing doubting that this will unhesitatingly be done upon a simple recitation of existing facts, and a bare reference to consequences necessarily to result from the impressment of slaves here. Tazewell for some time has been, and still is, the border of the Confederate lines, all the counties between her northern boundary and the Ohio and Kanawha rivers being held and occupied by Federal troops or Union men, and the loyal citizens of those counties having, with few exceptions, entered the Southern army or left their homes as refugees. Many slaves from Tazewell have already escaped in this direction, and of the many known to have absconded, the Court is advised of none who have been retaken. In eight or ten hours a person can travel on foot from any portion of Tazewell to Buchanan or McDowell county, and should either of the last mentioned counties be reached the run-a-way is considered lost and his pursuit usually abandoned; the country then becoming safe for slaves though unsafe for owners. In short, the facilities for the escape of slaves from this county are so certain and reliable that it can, with truth, be asserted that adult slaves remain here with their masters through choice—not necessity. A large majority of the slaves in Tazewell entertain a kind of legendary dread of going to Lynchburg or Richmond, and ever associate these cities with the idea of being sold and sent South.

Impressed with this delusion, it is impossible to induce them to enter upon the duties imposed by the requisition, and this Court has



no hesitation in expressing to the Governor its firm and deliberate conclusion that so soon as it shall be noised abroad that slaves are to be taken to Richmond, more than the quota of this county will abscond and be forever lost to their owners and the Commonwealth.

The Court will further direct the attention of the Governor to another fact, of which he may probably be unapprized namely. The vast addition to the existing privation and distress of the county by abstracting any portion of the now enfeebled and waning agricultural power. Tazewell has few slaves and no large slave holders. Four-fifths of her farming operations were formerly carried on by the labor of white citizens, between the ages of fifteen and fifty. From the commencement of the present troubles she has freely dedicated the best and most stalwart of her sons to the service of their country, and the conscription laws (rigidly enforced) have long since left her dependent on old men, children and a few slaves. With a white population of less than 8,000 (since the formation of Bland county), Tazewell has sent into the field nine infantry and ten cavalry companies, and the recent law has embraced a class five years older than those already sent. For more than two years, in addition to her own citizens, the county of Tazewell, from the scanty gleanings of half-cultivated fields, has continually fed large bodies of Confederate troops, and beyond this has contributed more than \$30,000.00 for the equipment and support of the soldiers levied here.

By reason of these things, and most especially from the extreme scarcity of laborers, much distress and suffering have already befallen this people. There is scarcely a family in the county not possessing slaves which, last year, produced a sufficient support, and the very few who did accumulate more than a bare subsistence are found to be slaveholders. The wives and little children of many a poor soldier are now wholly dependent for every morsel of bread eaten upon their neighbors, whose slaves produced it, and the fact has become notorious that the combined efforts of whites and blacks are insufficient to a comfortable supply of the necessities of life. The mischief, too, is increased by the mismanagement, or inattention, of Government, which suffers brigades, regiments, battalions and companies to traverse the country without proper quartermasters and commissaries, and these troops, becoming their own



purveyors, strip hundreds of families, without regard to law or justice of the little stores hoarded for their support.

It is not supposed, though no accurate calculation has been made, that the able-bodied male slaves, between the specified ages, will exceed 200, and they constitute the bone and sinew of the present working population. To withdraw forty or fifty of these from the service of citizens must greatly augment existing difficulties and disasters, and in all probability entail absolute famine on many individuals.

To sum up concisely, it may be laid down as an evident proposition that the advantages to the Southern Confederacy, from the impressment of a few slaves here, are so trifling and unimportant, when weighed against the injuries and the evils accruing to the people of the county by such impressment, as to render manifest the impolicy of the proposed measure, and to this conclusion the Court trusts that the Governor will subscribe and consequently dispense with any requisition upon Tazewell.

Ordered, that a copy of this order be immediately transmitted to the Hon. William Smith, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, through Senator, J. W. M. Witten, Esq., and our Delegate, R. T. Bowen, Esq., and that these gentlemen be requested to express to his Excellency their opinion relative to the statements herein made.

Ordered, that the Court be adjourned till the first day of the next term.

HERVEY GEORGE.

1864

*March Term.* The Court met pursuant to adjournment and resumed the consideration of the registration for slaves to work on the fortifications of the State, and since the last meeting of the Court, the Governor having authorized the Colonel of Engineers of this department to suspend the call till the 10th day of May next, it is therefore ordered that nothing further be done on the subject till that time.

The Court being satisfied, from the reports and statements of its agents, that from the scarcity of grain in this part of the country it is impossible to supply the families of indigent soldiers with food as determined on by the Court under an act of the General Assem-

bly, it is therefore deemed proper to purchase corn in South Carolina for the purpose; wherefore it is ordered that J. Stras, who is appointed agent of the Court, borrow, on a credit of fifteen or eighteen months, a sum not exceeding \$20,000.00 and execute, as agent, the bond of this county therefor, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable in currency, and the funds to be borrowed being the issue of the Confederacy, issued after the 1st April next, or its equivalent in value. When borrowed the said funds shall be handed by said Stras to William H. Kelly, who is hereby appointed an agent and required therewith to purchase in South Carolina or Georgia corn, if transportation can be had by which said corn may be conveyed to this County within a reasonable time, and said Kelly is required to acquaint the authorities with the existing facts and endeavor to obtain transportation from the Government.

*April Term.* Ordered, that James W. M. Witten be appointed an agent on the part of this county and required to make application to the Confederate authorities for the purpose of buying or borrowing grain for the support of the suffering families of soldiers residing in the county. The said James W. M. Witten is directed to represent to said authorities the extreme privation and probability of famine, to which many families are subjected, and the impossibility of procuring supplies here in consequence of the impressments recently made and the seizure of provisions by Jones' Brigade in passing through the county. Should the said agent be enabled to procure grain, it is ordered that J. Stras raise on the credit of the county funds sufficient to pay for said grain and execute the bonds of the county for monies borrowed.

*June Term.* H. R. Bogle, who was at a former term of this Court appointed agent for this county to purchase from S. Bassett French, commercial agent of Virginia, a supply of cotton, cotton yarn, cotton cloth and cotton and woolen cards for this county, this day came into Court and, together with Thomas A. Peery, his surety, executed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$20,000.00, for the faithful discharge of his duties, which bond was approved and received by the Court.

Ordered, that H. R. Bogle be appointed an agent on the part of this county, and required to make application to the Quartermaster-General of the Confederate States, for the purpose of buying any



grain, flour or meal, due as tax in kind from this or any other county in Southwestern Virginia for the support of the suffering families of soldiers residing in this county. The said H. R. Bogle is directed to represent to said Quartermaster-General the extreme privation and probability of famine, to which many families are subjected, and the impossibility of procuring supplies here in consequence of the impressment recently made and the seizure of provisions by Jones' Brigade in passing through the county. Should the said agent be enabled to procure grain, it is ordered that J. Stras raise on the credit of the county funds sufficient to pay for said grain, etc., and execute bonds of this county for monies borrowed.

"Ordered, that William W. Peery be appointed Salt Agent for this county for the present year."

Thomas A. Peery qualified as Sheriff of this county for a term of two years.

James W. Thompson qualified as Clerk of the County for a term of six years from the 1st day of July, 1864.

H. R. Bogle this day paid into Court \$7,000.00 to be equally distributed between the agents appointed by this Court to buy supplies for the families of soldiers in this county.

*July Term.* A. F. Henderson qualified as Attorney for the Commonwealth for this county for a term of four years.

Whereas the Secretary of War of the Confederate States deemed it proper, several months since, to appoint Lieutenant Samuels, of the sixteenth Virginia Cavalry, Provost Marshall at Jeffersonville, in the county of Tazewell, with authority to enrol a sufficient guard for the efficient discharge of the duties of said office; and whereas the said Lieutenant Samuels, taking no steps towards the fulfilment of the Secretary of War's said order, has left the county of Tazewell and gone (as is reported) within the enemies lines, this Court, therefore, while communicating these facts to the secretary of War, would also respectfully assure him of the continuance of the evils which lead to the appointment of a Provost Marshall here. The county of Tazewell, being on the very verge of the Confederate lines, where the law is loosely executed, and is much infested by deserters, straggling, soldiers and persons evading military service and even spies. Under such circumstances this Court trusts it will be excused for troubling the Secretary of War with a request that



another Provost Marshall be appointed at Jeffersonville, with a suitable guard and as a suitable person for the office, Blair B. Greever, of Company I. Sixteenth Regiment Virginia Cavalry, is suggested. He is at present disabled from active field service with his regiment, and has a certificate to this effect. If appointed Provost Marshall, he will doubtless fill the office with fidelity, energy and efficiency. Ordered, that a copy of this order be forwarded to Hon. J. A. Seddon, Secretary of War.

*August Term.* The extreme destitution, misery and distress now pervading this county, induces the Court to lay before the Quartermaster General of the Confederate States a brief statement of facts to the end that the citizens of the county may be exempted the present year from the payment of taxes in kind upon which the county of Tazewell previous to the war never produced a surplus of grain, for there was no sale for it at home and markets were too far removed to justify transportation. Some of the laboring population being now in the service of their Country, the quantity of grain produced has proportionately diminished. To this add the fact that since the commencement of the war large bodies of cavalry have continually wintered here and deprived the citizens of almost the whole of their scanty stores, and some idea may be formed of the scarcity of food. Indeed many families from last winter till the maturity of vegetables (about a month ago) subsisted on bran obtained with the utmost difficulty. The county appropriated \$20,000.00 for the support of the families of indigent soldiers, but a few bushels of grain only could be procured. The present crop of wheat just reaped, proves nearly a total failure and must be consumed before corn is gathered. This Court therefore respectfully submit to the consideration of the Quartermaster General the propriety and justice of relieving this county from the tythe on wheat. This Court is well satisfied that the tax tho' onerous, will be cheerfully paid, if the citizens supposed it would be of any substantial benefit to the army. But the experiences of last year evinces the contrary. The tax on corn in this county seemed to be of little use to a regiment or two, and it was scarcely paid before the soldiers were clammering for more. The tythe of wheat, for which exemption is asked, is intended by the Court for the support of soldiers' families, many of whom are in a state of extreme destitution and suffering. The Court has used every exertion for

their maintenance, having endeavored to purchase corn even in Georgia, but no transportation could be obtained from that State and all means of obtaining supplies have been entirely exhausted. The Court therefore respectfully requests that the tax in kind on the wheat crop of Tazewell (which at the best is trifling), be appropriated to the support of the families of indigent soldiers, many of whom have been living on bran, and there is no doubt that a compliance with the request will only be an act of Justice and humanity. Ordered that a copy of this order be forwarded immediately to the Quartermaster General of the Confederate States.

Ordered that James W. Thompson be appointed Agent in the place of H. R. Bogle, resigned, for the supply of cotton, etc., for the citizens of this county and that he take charge of the cotton, etc., already purchased and sell the same at \$47.00 per bunch and \$4.00 per yard, on so much thereof as may be necessary. The money received from the sales, shall be appropriated by the said Thompson to the purchase of cotton cloth, etc. for the citizens in this county. Ordered that J. Stras settle the accounts of H. R. Bogle as agent for the cotton etc. purchased for the county by said Bogle.

There being a surplus of salt in the hands of the salt agent, he is ordered to dispose of same at \$6.00 per bushel.

*October Term.* At a special term of the County Court of Tazewell held at the Courthouse, on Saturday the 15th day of October, 1864. Present S. W. Cecil, presiding and J. R. Witten and S. F. Watts.

It being apprehended by the Court that under the recent order of the Adjutant General this county will be deprived of the services of W. W. Peery who has for some time acted as Salt Agent for this county. And in the opinion of this Court the services of the said Peery as such Salt Agent are of great importance to the citizens of this county. This Court well knowing the fact that the said W. W. Peery is a weakly man and wholly unfit for military duty, it is therefore ordered that it be recommend to the enrolling officer of Washington County, and the General commanding Bureau of Conscripts to detail the said Peery to act as such Salt Agent. And the Clerk is ordered to send certified copies of this order to said enrolling officer and the General commanding said Bureau.

Ordered that this Court do now adjourn.



*November Term.* The court would respectfully represent to the Governor of Virginia that the recent order revoking all details, has subjected the county of Tazewell to the extremity of privation and inconvenience. There are two tanneries at the Courthouse, four in the western and four in the eastern end of the county and of the ten tanners manufacturing leather at these establishments, eight have been called to Richmond, the remaining two being over fifty years of age. There are but seven good flour mills in the county and four of the millers attending them are ordered to Richmond, which must necessarily close the mills, since competent persons cannot be employed to attend them. These facts will without comment convey some idea of the destitution and privation to which citizens must be subjected, but the extent of these ills can be better imagined when it is recollected that the tan yards never supplied more than the demand of county citizens and yet since the war fully one-half of the leather has been appropriated to the use of soldiers not residents; and now the withdrawal of eight of the ten tanners must prevent a very large majority from obtaining any leather. The stoppage moreover of the very best mills in the county, is a matter of serious inconvenience. The locality of those remaining in operation, is such as renders them beyond the reach of many populous neighborhoods. This Court therefore deems it proper to submit these facts to the Governor of Virginia and to request him to make known to the Confederate authorities that if not inconsistent with public safety and interest, it would be highly beneficial to this community to detail as tanners Joseph J. Mays and Rees B. Higginbotham and as millers George W. Shawver, James S. Whitley and John W. Thompson who are designated by the Court as the persons most efficient in their respective vocations. Ordered that the Clerk of this Court certify a copy of this order to the Governor of Virginia.

Ordered that James Allen and James M. Freeman be certified as capable tanners and that their services are requested as such.

*December Term.* Ordered that the following persons be appointed agents on the part of the county to purchase each one hundred bushels of corn in their respective Magisterial districts, viz.: Town District, James R. Witten; Liberty Hill District, Robert Barns; Indian District, William M. Gillespie; Bluestone District, William R. Bane; Burk's Garden District, Granville Jones, for the support



of the families of indigent soldiers of the county, and said agents are not to pay exceeding ten dollars per bushel for said corn.

Asked the Military authorities to detail Robert C. Morton as miller on the ground of public necessity.

It was also requested by the Court that Wm. L. Hubble be detailed as a blacksmith on the grounds of public necessity.

1865

*February Term.* Hamilton R. Bogle appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

Petition to have Samuel N. Shawver detailed as shoemaker, believing that the public interest will be benefitted.

Petition that Wm. R. Harman be detailed as a blacksmith was ordered to be presented to the Military authorities.

Rufus Brittain, having been elected Surveyor by the qualified voters on the 26th day of May, 1864, qualified as such for a term of six years from the 30th day of June, 1864.

This Court would respectfully ask the Commanding General of this Department, to have William W. Peery, a private in Captain King's Company of Artillery, now stationed at Saltville, and who has been acting as Salt Agent for this county, more than a year, detailed as agent while the Company remains at Saltville, to enable the citizens of this county to draw their quota of salt.

*March Term.* This Court having been summoned to carry out the requisition recently made on the county by the Governor of this Commonwealth for one-tenth of the male slaves between eighteen and fifty-five years of age and a majority of the Justices being present, proceeded to ascertain number of slaves in the county subject to draft and find it to be ninety-two, so that this county would have to furnish nine. Before, however, proceeding to select the nine to meet said requisition the Court begs leave to lay before the Governor a few facts upon the consideration of which he is respectfully requested to exempt the county of Tazewell from the requisition. The proximity of this county to the enemy and the frequent raids made through it have already caused the loss of one-third of its most valuable slaves and those who still remain with their owners do so from choice and not necessity. In fact any able bodied adult slave, can at any time escape and in a few hours be out of reach. This Court is satisfied that if an attempt be made to send slaves from this County to Richmond, a very large number, if not

all, will abscond, and many have already openly declared their intention to do so. Now surely it will not be contended that for the labor of nine slaves (the quota of Tazewell) the owners should be subjected to the loss of all their slaves, and the more especially since the people here almost entirely dependent upon the few slaves left for all the agricultural of the county. These facts are certified to the Governor upon the evidence of respectable citizens from various parts of the county, and he is desired to decide if Tazewell be not a county which he intends to exempt. Before therefore proceeding further with the requisition the Court respectfully awaits the determination of the Governor. Ordered that a copy of this order be immediately sent to the Governor of Virginia.

On the grounds of public necessity the Court on the petition of a number of citizens asked the General commanding this department to detail William Summers as farmer.

*April Term.* It is ordered that W. W. Brown, Bluestone District; George Gose, Burk's Garden District; Charles A. Fudge, Town District; James Stephenson, Liberty Hill District and Johnathan Hankins, Indian District be and they are hereby appointed agents of the county for the purposes hereinafter specified, to take immediate possession of all the horses, cattle, hogs, bacon, wool, corn and wheat in the county of Tazewell abandoned by the Confederate States of America, and collect the same at Tazewell Courthouse. When it is thus collected they will proceed to distribute the same in the following manner, to-wit: 1st. To the widows of soldiers who have fallen in defence of the country. 2d. To the orphans of soldiers who have thus fallen. 3d. To the families of the most indigent soldiers in the county.

They will report at the May term of this Court how they have executed this order. This Court would earnestly appeal to all the citizens of the county to yield a cheerful obedience to this disposition of the public property and appeals to all good citizens to aid in preserving law and order in the community.

Ordered that James P. Whitman be appointed to ascertain how many cattle, sheep or other property belonging to the State of Virginia is in this county, and he is required to take from those who have the said property in their possession receipts specifying the number and kind of property and return said receipts to this Court, and to make arrangements with them to keep said property until



called for by the State or till otherwise ordered by this Court and he is ordered to report his proceedings to this Court.

Ordered that Charles A. Fudge be appointed Captain of Patrol for this county and required to associate with him ten efficient mounted men, who shall act as a patrol for the county to be furnished with rations, forage, etc., which is to be paid out of the next county levy.

Be it remembered that on this 27th day of September, in the year 1865, at Tazewell Court House in the county of Tazewell, appeared William O. Yost, William H. Buchanan, Adam Hedrick, Rees B. Higginbotham, Resin R. Steel, Samuel H. Chiddix, Joseph C. Brown, Mark T. Lockhart, James Hankins, Henry Hunt, Jonathan Smith, Hugh D. Dudley, James Davis, Granville Jones and David G. Yost, who produced commissions from F. H. Peirpoint, Governor of Virginia, as Justices of the Peace for said county from this day till the first day of August, 1868, who took and subscribed the oath prescribed by the constitution, and the oath of office, before Washington Spotts, one of the Commissioners appointed by said Governor for the said county of Tazewell.

A majority of the Justices being present they proceeded to the election of one of their body Presiding Justice during their term of office and William H. Buchanan declared himself a candidate for said office and secured the following votes, viz.: Resin R. Steel, Samuel H. Chiddix, Joseph C. Brown, Hugh D. Dudley, James Davis and William O. Yost. William O. Yost also declared himself a candidate for said office and received the following votes, viz.: Rees B. Higginbotham, Mark L. Lockhart, James Hankins, Henry Hunt, Jonathan Smith, Granville Jones, David G. Yost, Adam Hedrick and William H. Buchanan, and William O. Yost received a majority of the votes cast and was declared elected Presiding Justice of this Court from this time until the first day of August, 1868.

After the election of Presiding Justice, the Justices present decided, by a large majority, that five Justices should sit at each term, except when the law shall require the presence of a greater number. The Justices present then proceeded to classify by ballot and resulted as follows:

Class No. 1. William R. Bane, John M. Thompson, Adam Hedrick and John L. Neel.



Class No. 2. Joseph Meek, James R. Witten, James Davis and Jonathan Smith.

Class No. 3. Joseph C. Brown, Henry Hunt, Rees B. Higginbotham and Resin R. Steel.

Class No. 4. Hugh D. Dudley, David G. Yost, William H. Buchanan and Granville Jones.

Class No. 5. James Hankins, Mark T. Lockhart and Samuel H. Chiddix.

It is ordered that Class No. 1, together with William O. Yost, Presiding Justice, sit at this Court, and so on alternately during this term, unless otherwise ordered.

Reese B. Gillespie, who was elected Sheriff of the county on August 17, 1863, to serve until the 1st day of January, 1867, qualified and entered upon the duties of the office.

Stirling F. Watts, who had been also elected by the qualified voters of the county as Attorney for the Commonwealth, qualified as such to serve till the 30th day of June, 1868, etc.

H. R. Bogle, William Hankins and Mathias Harrison were appointed deputies for Rees B. Gillespie, Sheriff of the county.

David H. Daugherty, qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue in District No. 1, to serve from September 27, 1865 till 31st January, 1870, and Charles J. Maxwell qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for District No. 2, for same period.

Simon W. Young qualified as Constable for District No. 2, to serve from this date to June 30, 1868.

Abel Hankins, who was on the 17th day of August, 1865, duly elected by the qualified voters of the county Surveyor, thereof, to serve as such from this day till the 30th day of June 1870, qualified with James Hankins and William Hankins as his sureties, etc.

A. J. May qualified to practice law in this Court.

William Hankins elected Constable, August 17, 1865, qualified for District No. 3, to serve till June 30, 1866.

James Allen qualified as Constable for District No. 1, having been elected on August 17, 1865, etc.

James W. Thompson, who was elected Clerk of the Court on August 17, 1865, qualified to serve as such until June 30, 1870, etc.

Ransom Dudley qualified as Constable in District No. 1, having been elected August 17, 1865.

*November Term. Quarterly Court:* Present: William O. Yost, Presiding, and David G. Yost, William H. Buchanan, James Hankins and Granville Jones, Justices.

*Note*—This was the first court held under the new regime after the organization in September.

The names of persons serving on the first grand jury after re-organization are as follows:

William L. Graham, foreman, Crockett Stump, Tolbert R. Ferrell, John A. McCall, Israel Slade, Zachariah S. Witten, Robert C. Graham, Hugh S. Bailey, William Sparks, Robert Hankins, Carter Hankins, Elias V. Harman, John W. Spratt, Moses M. Higginbotham, Clinton Barns, John C. Bandy, John B. Young, Rees Crabtree and William W. Brown.

Abel Hankins, Surveyor of this county, this day came into Court and nominated Jonathan Hankins, his deputy. The Court consenting, he qualified as such.

Ordered that Francis M. Peery be appointed Captain of Patrol for the town of Jeffersonville (Tazewell) and he is requested to associate with him all the able bodied male citizens of said town, who are to visit all places suspected of having unlawful assemblies.

At a Court for Tazewell county, held on November 29, 1865.

Present W. O. Yost, presiding, and James R. Witten, Mark Lockhart, Henry Hunt and Joseph C. Brown, Justices.

Wm. T. Wynn qualified as Constable in District No. 5. J. T. Frazier qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony, Henry S. Bowen, his surety.

Virginia, at a Court for Tazewell county, etc., December 27, 1865.

Present: Wm. O. Yost, presiding, and Wm. H. Buchanan, Granville Jones and John M. Thompson, Justices.

## 1866

Virginia: At a special term of the County Court of Tazewell county, held at the Courthouse on Thursday the 18th day of January, 1866.

Present: Wm. O. Yost, presiding, and Mark T. Lockhart, Adam Hedrick, James Hankins and Granville Jones, Justices.

The Court sitting as an examining Court.

Ordered that the three defendants be remanded for trial for felony in the Circuit Court of the county on the first day of the next term, and thereupon the defendant was remanded to jail.

William P. Cecil allowed \$100.00 for conducting these prosecutions.

The county having no jail, this Court hereby adopts the jail of Smyth county.

Virginia: At a Court of Tazewell county, held at the Courthouse on the 31st day of January, 1866.

Present: Wm. O. Yost, presiding, and James Hankins, Mark T. Lockhart and S. H. Chiddix, Justices.

Rees B. Edmondson admitted to practice law in this Court.

James M. French admitted to practice law in this Court.

Virginia: At a quarterly Court for Tazewell county, held at the Courthouse on the 28th day of February, 1866.

Present: Wm. O. Yost, presiding, and James Davis, David G. Yost, A. Mahood and A. Hedrick, Justices.

James B. Harman appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Virginia: At a Court for Tazewell county, began and held at the Courthouse on 28th day of March, 1866.

Present: W. O. Yost, presiding, and A. Mahood, M. T. Lockhart, Joseph C. Brown, R. B. Higginbotham, D. G. Yost, G. Jones, S. H. Chiddix, R. R. Steel, Adam Hedrick, W. H. Buchanan, J. R. Witten, J. M. Thompson, James Hankins and Henry Hunt, Justices.

Appointed a Commissioner to have the jail repaired.

Moses Hankins, Surveyor of this county, this day came into Court and appointed Daniel H. Harman his deputy.

L. H. McGuire qualified to practice law in this Court.

Wm. J. Clark appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Henry S. Bowen, Robert Barnes and Thomas J. Higginbotham appointed Conductors of an election of Field and Company Officers for the ————— Regiment in the western district of this county, and Peter Litz, Henry B. Harman and William W. Brown for the ————— Regiment in the eastern district.

P. R. Spracher appointed Deputy Clerk of this Court.

The Court appointed George W. Lowder, Captain; James Chiddix, First Lieutenant and Albert P. French, Second Lieutenant for 10th Company ————— Regiment.



*June Term.* Twenty Justices present.

John Thompson having been duly elected Sheriff of this county to serve from January 1, 1867, to January 1, 1869, qualified and executed bond as such.

M. A. Barrett appointed Deputy Sheriff.

*August Term.* Ransom S. Dudley, having lost an arm in battle, it is ordered by the Court that he be released from payment of county levies.

Joseph S. Moss qualified as administrator of Harden Moss.

*September Term.* Eighteen Justices present, having been summoned to attend this term to consider the adoption of a fence law. On consideration thereof the Justices were unanimous in their opposition to said law.

Again road locations, changes, etc., occupy about half the time of the Court, after the cessation of road activities during the war.

S. W. Young was appointed Deputy Sheriff.

*October Term.* Ordered that Henry B. Harman, Road Commissioner, contract for the re-building of the bridge at Falls Mills for the sum of \$230.00, and also for the bridge in Burk's Garden near Mr. Spracher's at \$50.00.

*November Term.* Robert G. Crockett appointed Deputy Sheriff.

1867

*January Term.* John Thompson, Sheriff of this county, this day came into court and appointed H. R. Bogle, William Hankins, Robert G. Crockett, and William A. Barnett his deputies.

*May Term.* Virginia: At a Court for Tazewell county, held at the Courthouse on Wednesday the 1st day of May, 1867.

Present: Wm. O. Yost, presiding, and Mark T. Lockhart, S. H. Chiddix, James Hankins and Alexander Mahood, Justices.

Benjamin Harden, who stands charged with a felony by him committed in the county of Tazewell and within the jurisdiction of this Court, in this, that he did, on the 16th day of April, 1867, in the said county, feloniously and of his malice did kill and murder one Dennis T. Burns, was this day set to the bar, in the custody of the Sheriff of this county, and the Court having heard the evidence, are of opinion that the said Benjamin Hardin ought to be tried for the offense of which he stands charged before the Circuit Court of Tazewell county. And the said Benjamin Harden is remanded to jail.

*Memo:* Upon the examination of this cause, by agreement of counsel on both sides and with the consent of the Court, the taking of the depositions of material witnesses was dispensed with.

Ordered that J. M. French be allowed and paid out of the next county levy \$10.00 for his services in the prosecuting of Benjamin Hardin, charged with felony.

*Note:* Hardin was subsequently hanged for this crime. So far as I have noticed the records, this is the first person upon whom capital punishment was inflicted in the county.

### BENJAMIN HARDIN.

To complete record of this case we here insert Circuit Court Proceeding at its May 1867, term:

Benjamin Hardin, charged with the murder of Dennis T. Burns, having been examined before the county Court of said charge on the 1st day of May, 1867, and sent to this Court for trial, was on this 20th day of May, 1867, brought before the Circuit Court of Tazewell county, the Honorable John A. Campbell, Judge of the 16th Judicial Circuit, presiding.

On his arraignment he pleaded not guilty and not being able to employ counsel for his defense, the Court assigned him W. P. Cecil and J. M. French to defend him. The following persons composed the jury to try the case: Witten Maxwell, Daniel H. Harman, William White, Carter Hankins, Augustus S. Waldron, Robert Hankins, Augustus S. McNeil, William Bandy, John Altizer, William V. Shannon, Hiram A. Dawson and Jefferson Osborne.

After hearing the evidence and argument of counsel the jury, on May 22, 1867, rendered the following verdict: "We, the jury, find Benjamin Hardin, the person whom we have in charge, guilty of murder in the first degree." Thereupon the said Benjamin Hardin was remanded to jail.

On the 23rd day of May, 1867, the prisoner was again brought before the Court and passed the following sentence upon him. . . . "Therefore, it is considered by the Court, that he be hanged by the neck until he be dead and that execution of this judgment be made and done upon the said Benjamin Hardin by the Sheriff of this county on Friday the 28th day of June, 1867, between sunup and sunset of that day, and the gallows to be prepared by Sheriff. The said Benjamin Hardin is remanded to jail."



*Note:* As previously noted, this is the first legal execution to occur during the first sixty-seven years of the existence of Tazewell county. The execution took place in a field on the south side of the Fincastle and Cumberland Gap Turnpike, a short distance southwardly from Jeffersonville Cemetery and the body was buried a short distance up the hill from the point of execution.

*June Term.* Ordered that \$10.00 be paid for old wolf scalps, and \$5.00 for young wolf scalps, and that nothing be paid for foxes and wild cats.

The Court appoints Henry B. Harman, Road Commissioner for the eastern district and Robert Smith in the western district for this year.

*Note:* The Stay law prevented creditors from enforcing the collection of their debts, but on petition of a collector showing, (1) needy circumstances, (2) the amount necessary to support them during the next year. On this showing, the debtor was ordered to pay such a portion of the debt as was necessary to meet the necessities of the creditor; and on account of the scarcity of money this to be paid in instalments.

*October Term.* A vacancy existing in the office of County Surveyor by removal from the State of the late incumbent, this Court recommends Rufus Brittain as a suitable person to fill said vacancy.

*November Term.* Joseph S. French qualified to practice law in this Court.

#### 1868

*January Term.* V. A. Witcher and David E. Johnson were admitted to practice law in this Court.

*February Term.* James Mason, a free man of color, granted the authority to celebrate the rites of matrimony between colored people.

*April Term.* Kiah Billips appointed Deputy Sheriff.

*October Term.* Samuel S. Dinwiddie and J. M. Kelly qualified to practice law in this Court.

James S. Vail appointed deputy Sheriff.

#### 1869

*February Term.* Henry C. Alderson qualified as administrator of Thos. W. Cecil.

Be it remembered that on the 31st day of March in the year 1869, at Tazewell Courthouse in the county of Tazewell, appeared Henry F. Hunt, Jacob Wimmer, William T. Doak, James Albert,



Crockett Stump, Jephtha Fallen, John G. Prator, George T. Falkner, William B. Yost, William F. Tabor, Ambrose J. Hall and William Lester, who severally produced commissions from Bret. Maj. George Stoneman, Commanding the Military District of Virginia who took and subscribed the oath prescribed by the Act of Congress of the United States by act passed the 2d day of July, 1862, before Henry F. Hunt, a Justice of the Peace for said county, and a majority of the justices being present, they proceeded to election of one of their body presiding Justice during their term of office, and Henry F. Hunt was declared duly elected presiding Justice of this Court.

David Lester, who was on the —— day of February, 1869, appointed Sheriff of this county by Bret. Maj. General George Stoneman, commanding the Military District of Virginia, to serve as such until his successor shall be elected or appointed and qualified to enter upon the discharge of his duties of his office, this day came into Court and together with James Lester, John G. Lester, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of forty thousand dollars, payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia, which bond was accepted by the Court but it is ordered that the said Lester give additional security at the next term of this Court for the sum of ten thousand more and thereupon the said Lester took the oaths prescribed by law.

Rees B. Gillespie who was on the 27th day of February, 1869 appointed by Bret. Maj. Gen'l. George Stoneman, commanding the military District of Virginia, Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell County to act as such until his successor is appointed or elected and qualified to enter upon the discharge of the duties of his office, this day came into Court and together with Joseph Harrison, James R. Witten, James B. Harman and John B. Harman entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty approved by the Court, he having taken the oath prescribed by the law of Congress.

John S. Moore who was on the 21st day of February, 1869, appointed by Bret. Maj. Gen'l. Stoneman, Commanding the Military District of Virginia, Commissioner of the Revenue for the Second District of Tazewell County, Virginia, to act as such until his successor is elected or appointed and qualified to enter upon the discharge of the duties of the office, this day came into Court and together with Matthias H. Beavers, and Moses J. Beavers entered into and acknowledged bond in the penalty of five thousand dollars

conditioned according to law, which bond was received and approved by the Court and thereupon the said John S. Moore took the several oaths prescribed by law.

Matthias H. Beavers who was on the 26th day of February, 1869 appointed by Bret. Maj. Gen'l. George Stoneman, Commanding the Military District of Virginia a Constable in District No. 1, Tazewell County, Virginia, to act as such until his successor is elected or appointed and qualified to enter upon the discharge of the duties of the office, this day came into the Court, and together with John S. Moore and Moses J. Beavers entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of five thousand dollars conditioned according to law, which bond was approved and accepted by the Court, and thereupon the said Matthias H. Beavers took the several oaths prescribed by law.

Mitchell B. Davis and William A. Barnett appointed deputies for David G. Lester, Sheriff of this county.

*Note:* The foregoing wholesale change in officials of Tazewell county was made before the Underwood Constitution of 1869 took effect. It will be seen that the foregoing are military appointments.

Rees B. Lester appointed by Bret. Maj. General George Stoneman, February, 1869, as constable in District No. 2, in Tazewell Co.

John G. Lester appointed by Stoneman, same date as Commissioner of the Revenue for District No. 1.

John C. Hopkins and Otis Caldwell were appointed deputies for David G. Lester, Sheriff of the county.

John Burge and Robert Neel having been appointed by Maj. Gen. Stoneman, Justice of the Peace, came into Court and qualified as such.

David A. Daugherty appointed by Jno. G. Lester, Commissioner of the Revenue of Dist. No. 1, to be his assistant.

John S. Moore, Commissioner of Revenue for Dist. No. 2, appointed David A. Daugherty his assistant.

It is ordered that the Clerk of this Court recommend to Bret. Maj. Gen'l. Canby, the following named persons, as suitable to fill the vacant offices of this county, to-wit: James Brooks for Justice of the Peace in Dist. No. 2, Wm. Yost and Isaiah J. Burk in Dist. No. 5, Israel Nelson in Dist. No. 3, Wily B. Edmonds for constable in Dist. No. 2, John Hunt or Hurt in Dist. No. 3, Rees T. Heneger in Dist. No. 5, James McFarland for Overseer Poor in Dist. No. 5 and Micajah Faulkner in Dist. No. 1.



*June Term.* Rees B. Gillespie, Clerk of this Court this day, appointed P. R. Spracher his deputy.

*September Term.* Thirteen Justices present: H. F. Hunt, presiding. All the Justices had been convened to consider certain changes in the terms of the Court, etc. It was decided that two or more Justices with the presiding Justice shall constitute a Court. The Justices were classified and assigned to serve in their turn as follows:

Class No. 1. Wm. J. Tabor, John G. Prator and Wm. Lester.

Class No. 2. Jacob Wimmer, Geo. T. Faulkner and A. J. Hall.

Class No. 3. John Burge, James Albert and Wm. B. Yost.

Class No. 4. Cornelius Grills, Jephtha Fallen and Robt. Neel.

Class No. 5. Crockett Stump, Wm. T. Doak and Wm. Yost.

S. P. Brooks qualified as constable, having been appointed by Maj. Gen. Canby on the 29th day of August, 1869.

*October Term.* Rees B. Gillespie appointed Commissioner in Chancery by Maj. Gen. Canby, Commanding the Military District of Virginia.

Micajah Faulkner by same appointed overseer of the Poor for the 1st Dist. of the county.

*Note:* These entries are copied to show the helplessness of Virginia as she lay prostrate at the feet of Military despotism. It is hard to forget these things by those who lived through them.

John G. Watts commended for license to practice law.

John C. Hopkins, who was by Maj. Gen. Canby on the —— day of October, 1869, appointed Sheriff of the county in place of David G. Lester, qualified as such, and appointed the following as his deputies, viz: H. R. Bogle, William Hankins, Wm. A. Barnett, David G. Lester and M. G. B. Davis.

## 1870

*February Term.* Otis Caldwell appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Jno. C. Lester in District No. 2.

*March Term.* Virginia: At a Court of the county of Tazewell held at the Courthouse on Wednesday the 30th day of March, 1870. Present: Henry F. Hunt, Presiding, and William Yost, George T. Faulkner and Wm. T. Doak, Justices.

*Note:* This is the last term of the County Court held by the Justices under the "old regime". The orders of this March term, 1870, are signed on the 30th day of March, 1870 by H. F. Hunt.



## CHAPTER IV.

COUNTY COURT RECORDS FROM APRIL TERM, 1870, TO JANUARY TERM, 1904, COVERING THE PERIOD OF THE COUNTY JUDGES.

1870

*April Term.* First Court held under provisions of the Underwood Constitution, by the county Judge appointed thereunder.

“Virginia: At a Court for the county of Tazewell held at the Courthouse on Wednesday, the 27th day of April, 1870.

Present, the Hon. James P. Kelly, Judge, Presiding.

Ordered that W. N. Pattison be paid out of the next county levy \$100.00 as Attorney for the Commonwealth for the County Court and \$100.00 as Prosecuting Attorney for the Commonwealth in the Circuit Court.”

Rees B. Gillespie appointed Clerk of the County and Circuit Courts, by the county Judge.

This is the first act of the County Court Judge shown on the County Court records. The next appointment was Henry C. Alderson, appointed Attorney for the Commonwealth of the Courts of this county. The next appointment was Charles H. Fudge, appointed Sheriff of this county; said Fudge thereupon appointed Alexander St. Clair, J. P. Spotts and William A. Barnett, his deputies.

William Hankins and Jno. H. Whitley, who were by the Governor of Virginia on the 13th day of April, 1870, appointed constables appeared in court and qualified as such.

James H. Gillespie, who was by the Auditor of Public Accounts on the 11th day of April, 1870, appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for Dist. No. 1, and Rees T. Higginbotham for Dist. No. 2, having also been appointed by the said Auditor. Rees B. Gillespie, S. S. Dinwiddie, and S. C. Graham were appointed by the Judge of this Court, Commissioners in Chancery for the County Court.

*June Term.* Hon. James P. Kelly, Judge, Presiding.

June 29th. Be it remembered that on this day, George Kelly, applied to the Court to be admitted to citizenship, and having complied with the Law in such cases made and provided, he was accordingly admitted by said Court to be a citizen of the United States of America.

John Thomas qualified as Overseer of the Poor for Maiden Spring District, having been elected as such by the qualified voters in said district at the election held on the 26th day of May, 1870. Elgin S. Whitley was at the same election elected Overseer of the Poor for Jeffersonville District, and Russell B. Tabor was elected Overseer of the Poor for Clear Fork District. At the same election, A. P. Brown, David G. Sawyers and J. W. Correll were elected Justices of the Peace for Jeffersonville Township; and John R. Buckland was elected Constable in Clear Fork Township; and James Bandy was elected Constable in Maiden Spring Township; John H. Whitley, Constable in Jeffersonville Township; Wm. Hankins, Constable in Jeffersonville Township.

E. Bruster and A. S. McNeil were elected Justices of the Peace for Maiden Springs Township; and James B. Harman and Wm. E. Neel were elected Justices of the Peace for Clear Fork Township.

Albert H. Gibboney qualified as administrator of H. R. Bogle, deceased.

*July Term.* Quarterly term.

Edward A. Holmes was admitted to citizenship.

H. Bane Harman qualified as Assessor for the Clear Fork Township, having been elected at the May 26, 1870, election.

G. J. Holbrook and John A. Campbell qualified to practice law in this Court.

E. D. Kimble having been elected on May 26, 1870, Assessor for the Jeffersonville Township, qualified before the Court as such officer.

Thomas A. Repass, having been elected, at said election, Assessor for Maiden Spring Township, qualified as such officer.

John M. Thompson, who at said election was elected a Justice of the Peace for Maiden Spring Township appeared in Court and qualified.

Henry E. Maxwell, who was also elected on this 26th day of May, 1870, qualified as such.

John W. Staven was at said election, chosen as Township Clerk for the Clear Fork Township.

C. C. Brooks was chosen Collector for Maiden Spring Township at said election.



John Mosby Davis was chosen Supervisor for Clear Fork Township, at said election, and Robert Steel was chosen Supervisor of Maiden Spring Township, both of whom appeared in Court and qualified.

"Charles A. Fudge, Sheriff of this county, this day came into Court and appointed John W. Hopkins, William Hankins, H. Bane Harman and Jesse F. White his deputies."

Samuel Leece, who was chosen at the election held on May 26, 1870, Supervisor for Jeffersonville Township, qualified as such.

*August Term.* Rufus B. Hale qualified as Overseer of the Poor for Clear Fork District, having been elected as such, May 26, 1870.

"Patrick Kelly, a subject of Queen Victoria, this day came into Court and with the consent of the Court declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and thereupon the said Kelly took the oath prescribed by law."

Wm. L. Graham was appointed by the Court to re-assess the lands in Commissioner's District No. 1, and Frank W. Kelly was appointed to re-assess the lands in District No. 2.

"On motion of Samuel C. Graham, who desires to practice law, it is ordered to be certified that he is a man of good character, has resided in the county more than twelve months and that he is over twenty-one years of age."

Rufus Brittain appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures for this county.

*November Term.* Samuel C. Graham admitted to practice law in this Court.

P. S. Spracher designated Commissioner of Accounts. Hiram Christian qualified to practice law in this Court.

*December Term.* Rees B. Gillespie, who was elected Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts by the voters of the county on the 8th day of November, 1870, qualifies as such.

John G. Watts who was elected on the 8th day of November, 1870, Attorney for the Commonwealth for three years from January 1, 1871, qualified as such.

James S. Witten was at said election, elected Superintendent of the Poor for the County of Tazewell, he qualified before the Court and entered on the duties of the office.

Election of District Road Commissioners at the election held on May 26, 1870, is recited.



D. B. Baldwin qualified as County Treasurer for the term of three years from 1st day of January, 1871, having been elected by the qualified voters of the county to said office, on the 8th day of November, 1870.

Robert G. Crockett, who was elected at said election, Sheriff of the county for three years from January 1, 1871, qualified before the Court as such Sheriff. Said Crockett thereupon appointed James H. Gillespie, Alexander St. Clair, Thomas G. Witten, Wm. A. Barnett and Charles A. Fudge, his deputies.

Edward A. Holmes having been appointed Surveyor for the county, qualified as such.

#### 1871

*February Term.* W. S. Bullard authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

*March Term.* B. B. Greever appointed Deputy Surveyor of the county.

*August Term.* "Robert G. Crockett, Sheriff of this county, this day came into Court and appointed B. B. Greever and John H. Witten his deputies."

*September Term.* Ordered that the Clerk of this Court notify the County Court of Smyth county that a good turnpike road is necessary between Tazewell Courthouse and Marion, and ask that Smyth County Court appoint Commissioners to take up the matter with the Tazewell County Authorities.

Established a separate voting precinct at Daniel H. Harman's on Dry Fork of Sandy.

*October Term.* Hon. Philip Strother, Judge of the District composed of the counties of Giles and Bland, Presiding, Hon. James P. Kelly, absent.

*November Term.* Malcolm McNeil and A. D. Hambrick were appointed Deputy Sheriffs.

#### 1872

*February Term.* A Committee reported the Courthouse unsafe to hold Court in and temporary quarters were secured in a storehouse until the old house be repaired or replaced.

*April Term.* "Ordered that an election be held on the 23rd day of May, 1872, in the Town of Jeffersonville (now Tazewell) for the purpose of electing a Mayor, five Councilmen and Town Ser-

geant for the corporation of said town of Jeffersonville." NOTE: This is the first order found in respect to the Town Government.

The Board of Supervisors was requested by the Court to increase the salary of the County Superintendent of Public Schools \$150.00.

*May Term.* Joseph Stras, Junior, qualified to practice law in this Court.

*June Term.* The following persons, who, by the qualified voters of their respective Townships on the 23rd day of May, 1872, were severally elected to their respective offices annexed to their names below, for the term of one year from the 1st day of July, 1872. . . .

This day appeared in Court and severally executed the required bond . . . as follows:

Robert Steele, Supervisor of Maiden Spring Township.

Samuel Leece, Supervisor, Jeffersonville Township.

J. Moseby Davis, Supervisor, Clear Fork Township.

Henry E. Maxwell, Assessor for Maiden Spring Township.

David G. Sayers, Assessor, Jeffersonville Township.

John M. Brown, Commissioner of Roads, Maiden Spring Township.

John C. Bandy, Commissioner of Roads, Jeffersonville Township.

Isaac Q. Moore, Commissioner of Roads, Clear Fork Township.

Thomas A. Repass, Township Clerk, Maiden Spring Township.

John W. Stowers, Township Clerk, Clear Fork Township.

John Thomas, Overseer of the Poor, Maiden Spring Township.

Henry S. Bowen, for Maiden Spring Township, David G. Yost for Clear Fork Township and Alfred P. Brown for Jeffersonville Township, Justices of the Peace.

*July Term.* Hon. P. W. Strother, Judge, Presiding.

*October Term.* R. S. Hoge admitted to practice law in this Court.

1873

*July Term.* Abel Hankins and Josiah Correll elected Justices of the Peace at the last election, qualified as such.

*December Term.* The following county officers who had been elected to their respective offices on the 4th day of November, 1873, came into Court and qualified; viz:

James W. Smith, Sheriff of the county, who appointed A. D. Hambrick and Wm. A. Barnett his deputies: James L. Witten, Superintendent of the Poor; D. B. Baldwin, Treasurer; John G. Watts, Attorney for the Commonwealth.

1874

*January Term.* Wm. L. Moore qualified as deputy for James W. Smith, Sheriff of the county.

*June Term.* The following is a list of officers elected at the election held on the 28th day of May, 1874:

E. Johnson, Supervisor, Clear Fork Township.

Isaac Q. Moore, Road Commissioner of said Township.

John C. Bandy, Road Commissioner of Jeffersonville Township.

Robert P. Harman, Assessor, Clear Fork Township.

Daniel H. Harman, Assessor, Jeffersonville Township.

C. C. Pack, Assessor, Maiden Spring Township.

James C. Moore, Collector, Clear Fork Township.

Rees B. Correll, Collector, Jeffersonville Township.

William J. Clark, Constable, Clear Fork Township.

T. W. Hankins, Constable, Maiden Spring Township.

Amos W. Reed, Clerk, Clear Fork Township.

Gilbert H. Reed, Clerk, Jeffersonville Township.

Thomas B. Crabtree, Overseer of Poor, Clear Fork Township.

*July Term.* The following is a further list of officers elected at the election held on the 28th day of May, 1874; who failed to qualify at the last term of Court:

Samuel Leece, Supervisor, Jeffersonville Township.

Robert Steele, Supervisor, Maiden Spring Township.

James Bandy, Collector, Maiden Spring Township.

John M. Brown, Road Commissioner, Maiden Spring Township.

Thomas A. Repass, Township Clerk, Maiden Spring Township.

B. B. Greever, Constable, Jeffersonville Township.

E. L. Whitley, Overseer of Poor, Jeffersonville Township.

John Thomas, Overseer of Poor, Maiden Spring Township.

*October Term.* Wm. H. Kelly qualified as Deputy Surveyor of the county.

1875

*February Term.* Daniel H. Harman, deputy Clerk is authorized to take and certify the privy examination and acknowledgment of married women, to all deeds and other writings.

*June Term.* Officers elected at the election held on May 27, 1875. appeared in Court and qualified, as follows, viz:

James R. Doak, Clerk of the Courts of the County; James W. Smith, Sheriff; Denison B. Baldwin, Treasurer; John G. Watts, Attorney for the Commonwealth; John M. Smith, Commissioner of



the Revenue for Clear Fork District; John Henry Owens, Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District; R. Thompson Higginbotham, Commissioner of Revenue of Maiden Spring District; James L. Witten, Superintendent of the Poor; Elisha Johnson, Supervisor for Clear Fork District; Samuel Leece, Supervisor for Jeffersonville District; Robert Steele, Supervisor of Maiden Spring District.

A. D. Hambrick, Wm. A. Barnett and James Bandy qualified as deputies for Jas. W. Smith, Sheriff.

*July Term.* James W. Thompson and George W. Dabney qualified as deputies for James R. Doak, Clerk of the Courts.

Wm. L. Moore, Collector of Clear Fork Township and Reese Correll, Collector of Jeffersonville Township, returned their lists of delinquent lands.

*November Term.* Reese B. Correll, James S. Whitley and Malcolm McNeil qualified as deputies for D. B. Baldwin, Treasurer of the county.

#### 1876

*January Term.* James Bandy and Wm. E. Bane qualified as deputies for D. B. Baldwin, Treasurer of the county.

Thomas E. George was appointed Superintendent of the Poor for the county, in the place of James L. Witten, dec'd.

Robert G. Crockett appointed deputy Treasurer of the county.

Henry C. Jones qualified to practice law in this Court.

#### 1877

Nathan Sayers appointed Deputy Sheriff.

*June Term.* The following officers were elected the 24th day of May, 1877, qualified before the Court:

Samuel Leece, Robert Steele and George Gose, Supervisors of their respective districts.

Kiah Billips, John L. Lewis and Calvin D. Hunt, Constables of their respective districts.

Wm. E. Neel, Wm. Summers, James Oscar Correll, A. P. Brown, Joseph Harrison, Henry Hunt and Ebenezer Brewster, Justices of the Peace for their respective districts.

*July Term.* Additional list of District Officers, elected at last said election but who failed to qualify at last term of Court, who qualified at July Term:

Wm. Summers, George Kelly, James O. Correll and Robert Barnes, Justices of the Peace for their respective districts.

Robert G. Crockett qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*December Term.* Samuel L. Graham qualified to practice law in this Court.

Madison M. Hankins appointed Constable of Maiden Spring District.

Charles A. Ronald qualified to practice law in this Court.

1878

*April Term.* John W. Spotts qualified to practice law in this Court.

Certified that John Spracher lost the use of his left arm in the late war, etc.

*May Term.* John C. Wade qualified as deputy for J. R. Doak, Clerk of the Court.

*June Term.* Patton R. Spracher qualified as Deputy Clerk of the Court.

*August Term.* Albert P. Gillespie qualified to practice law in this Court.

*October Term.* Geo. W. Kilgore qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* Wm. G. Baldwin qualified as Deputy Treasurer of the county.

Martin Williams qualified to practice law in this Court.

*December Term.* Gratton Crockett qualified as Deputy Treasurer for this county.

1879

*January Term.* J. W. Chapman and J. H. Stuart qualified to practice law in this Court

*February Term.* Moses M. Higginbotham qualified as Deputy Sheriff of this county.

*April Term.* Augustus White qualified as Deputy Sheriff of this county.

*June Term.* The following officers who were elected by the voters of the county at the election held on May 22, 1879, for four years from July 1, 1879, qualified before the Court as such, viz:

John W. Crockett, Sheriff; H. Bane Harman, Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District.

District officers for a term of two years, qualified as follows:

John D. Peery, Supervisor of Jeffersonville District; Geo. W. Spracher, Supervisor of Clear Fork District; John M. Brown, Supervisor of Maiden Spring District; Mathias H. Beavers, Overseer of the Poor for Jeffersonville District; Thomas B. Crabtree, Overseer of the Poor for Clear Fork District; William Walker, Overseer of the Poor for Maiden Spring District.

For Justices of the Peace: A. P. Brown, Samuel Crockett and James O. Correll for Jeffersonville District. David G. Yost, Adam E. Wagner and Geo. Kelly of Clear Fork District. James Hankins, Ebenezer Brewster and Robert Barnes for Maiden Spring District.

Attorney for the Commonwealth, John G. Watts.

Kiah Billips qualified as Constable for Clear Fork District.

On recommendation of the Board of Supervisors, Thomas E. George was appointed by the Court Superintendent of the Poor and Edward A. Holmes was appointed Surveyor of the county. Said George and Holmes to serve for terms of four years from 1st day of July, 1879.

D. B. Baldwin qualified as Treasurer of the county for the term of four years, beginning July 1, 1879.

Reese Thompson qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District, for a term of four years.

John W. Crockett, Sheriff of the county, this day appointed James Bandy and M. H. Peery his deputies.

Wm. L. Graham, who was at the last election, elected Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District, qualified as such.

*July Term.* Gratton Crockett qualified as Constable for Jeffersonville District.

Robert G. Crockett and James W. Smith qualified as deputies for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff of the county.

*October Term.* Thos. Z. Cecil qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

Wm. L. Graham qualified as Deputy Surveyor of County.

*December Term.* John D. Payne qualified to practice law in this Court.

Virginia: At a County Court for Tazewell county, held at the Courthouse on Thursday the 11th day of December, 1879.

Present: Hon. Samuel C. Graham, Judge, Presiding.

"As this is the last Court to be held by the present Judge thereof, he considers that it would not be out of place before retiring to



enter of record his unfeigned thanks to the bar of this place for the profound respect and courtesy which have been shown him during his term of office. He gladly avails himself of this opportunity to publicly record that during the term of six years, which he has had the honor to occupy this bench, that there has not been one word, or even an act of disrespect towards him from the youngest to the oldest member. Being young and inexperienced when he came to this bench, he here wishes to record his gratitude to the bar for the great assistance which they certainly have rendered him in the upright, frank and manly performance of their duties as lawyers. To sever relations, which must be severed by the last orders of this term, and which have been so pleasant, is not therefore without its feelings of personal regret. And he further tenders his thanks to the faithful officers of this Court."

In addition to the foregoing entry we, the undersigned Attorneys practicing in the County Court of Tazewell, and the Clerk of said Court and his deputy, beg leave to spread upon the record of this Court the fact of our sincere regard and sorrow at the retirement of Judge Graham from an office which he has dignified and adorned, and we hereby tender him our warmest thanks for the courtesy and kindness always extended to us from the Bench; while at the same time we can truly assure him that no one can succeed him in the office who would be preferable to him in the discharge of its duties.

Signed: Joseph Stras, Sen. A. J. May, Stras & Henry, J. G. Watts, A. P. Gillespie, John W. Spotts, S. D. May, H. C. Alderson, John W. Chapman, James W. Spotts, J. H. Stuart, S. F. Watts, Jas. R. Doak, Clerk, P. R. Spracher, D. C.

1880

*January Term.* "Virginia: At a County Court for Tazewell County begun and held at the Courthouse thereof on Tuesday the 13th day of January, 1880.

Present, Hon. Samuel C. Graham, Judge."

David E. Johnson qualified to practice law in this Court.

"Virginia: At a County Court for Tazewell County begun and held at the Courthouse on Tuesday, February 10, 1880. Present, Sterling F. Watts, Judge." Esq. A. P. Brown administered the Oath of Office to said Sterling F. Watts.

Ordered to be certified that Thomas M. Brown lost the use of his right arm occasioned by a gunshot wound in the right elbow in the late war.

*April Term.* Thomas E. Thompson qualified to practice law in this Court.

*June Term.* It is ordered by the Court that the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County subscribe \$45,400 to the stock of the Richmond and Southwestern Railway Company, three-fifths of the voters voting at the election held for this purpose, having voted in favor of said subscription.

Joseph Harrison appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District.

Rezin V. Godbey appointed Land Assessor for Clear Fork District.

John Whitley appointed Assessor of Lands in Jeffersonville District.

*July Term.* The Court appointed Wm. E. Neel, Wm. O. Yost and T. A. Repass to lay off all the public lands in the county into precincts, number the same and assign to each precinct a Surveyor, etc.

William A. Henderson qualified to practice law in this Court.

Charles H. Greever appointed County Superintendent of the Poor in the place of Thomas E. George, resigned.

Thomas M. Scott appointed Land Assessor for Maiden Spring District.

Jesse McCall, John H. Whitley and C. C. Harman were appointed Assistant Assessors of Lands.

*October Term.* Wm. E. Neel and Thomas A. Repass, two of the Commissioners heretofore appointed to lay off the public roads into precincts, filed their reports.

*December Term.* Robert Steel appointed Supervisor for Maiden Spring District to fill out the term of John M. Brown, deceased.

W. S. Stone qualified to practice law in this Court.

## 1881

*April Term.* An election was ordered to be held on May 26, 1881, to take the sense of the qualified voters on the proposition to subscribe for the county to the capital stock of the Virginia-Kentucky and Ohio Narrow Gauge Railroad Company.

*June Term.* The following district officers were elected on the 26th day of May, 1881, qualified before the Court for terms of two years, viz:

Samuel Crockett, Justice of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

Ebenezer Brewster and H. F. Hunt, Justices for Maiden Spring District.

George Kelly, Joseph H. Bane and J. Columbus Moore, Justices for Clear Fork District.

Wm. O. Yost, Supervisor for Jeffersonville District.

Robert Steel, Supervisor for Maiden Spring District.

John T. Bane, Supervisor for Clear Fork District.

James H. Helton, Constable for Maiden Spring District.

For Clerk of the County and Circuit Courts for a term of six years, Wm. G. Harrison, was elected on May 26, 1881.

Rufus Brittain qualified as deputy for Wm. G. Harrison, Clerk of the Courts.

Gratton Crockett who was elected Constable for Jeffersonville District on May 26, 1881, qualified as such.

Alfred P. Brown qualified Justice of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

Sidney B. Couling qualified to practice law in the Courts of this county.

It appearing from report of Commissioners of Elections on the question of making subscription to the stock of the Virginia-Kentucky and Ohio Narrow Gauge Railroad Company, that three-fifths of the votes cast were in favor of said subscription, the Board of Supervisors were summoned to meet and do what is necessary to effectuate said subscription. The vote further showed that the total registered vote of the county is 2,557.

*July Term.* Geo. W. Dabney qualified as Deputy Clerk of the county.

John G. Baylor, who was chosen a Justice of the Peace for Maiden Spring District, at the last election, appeared in Court and qualified as such.

Kiah Billips qualified as Constable for Clear Fork District.

*September Term.* A. C. Davidson qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* Wm. McGeorge qualified to practice law in this Court.



## 1882

*January Term.* Wm. E. Neel and David Yost were appointed additional Justices for the Clear Fork District and Lindsey T. Greever was appointed Constable of said district.

James Allen qualified Deputy Treasurer for the county.

*February Term.* H. Bane Harman qualified as Deputy Clerk of this county.

Charles T. Witten appointed Constable in Clear Fork District in the place of Kiah Billips, deceased, and said Charles T. Witten was also appointed Deputy Treasurer for D. B. Baldwin, Treasurer of the county.

John Wm. Chapman appointed Commissioner of Accounts in the place of P. R. Spracher, deceased.

*April Term.* A. P. Gillespie appointed Attorney for the Commonwealth to fill the unexpired term of John G. Watts, who resigned the said position on the 10th day of March, 1882.

*May Term.* Samuel Laird appointed an additional Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork District.

*June Term.* C. L. Snidow appointed an additional Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork District and John D. Barnes an additional Constable in said district.

*July Term.* Henry E. Harman appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue in Jeffersonville District.

*August Term.* Wm. R. Graham appointed Deputy Surveyor of the county.

Joseph L. Deaton appointed Constable in Clear Fork District.

*December Term.* Z. S. Witten appointed Deputy Treasurer for the county.

Thomas E. Howell appointed a Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork District and John G. Peery an additional Constable for said district.

## 1883

*February Term.* J. Morgan Brewster appointed a Deputy Treasurer.

*April Term.* J. Newton Harman qualified to practice law in this Court

*June Term.* H. P. Brittain appointed Surveyor of the county, on recommendation of the Board of Supervisors. John T. Bane, who was elected on the 24th day of May, 1883, Supervisor of Clear Fork District, qualified as such.

Wm. O. Yost qualified as Supervisor for Jeffersonville District and Robert Steel for Supervisor for Maiden Spring District, both of whom having been elected at said election.

Z. T. Witten qualified Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

Geo. F. Peery qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District, and Thomas Z. Cecil qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

E. King Crockett qualified as Constable of Clear Fork District.

Gratton Crockett qualified Constable for Jeffersonville District and Deskins Green qualified Constable for Maiden Spring District.

John W. Crockett having been elected Sheriff of this county on May 24, 1883, qualified as such.

J. Newton Harman, having been elected Attorney for the Commonwealth at said election, qualified as such.

J. H. Caldwell appointed additional Justice of the Peace at Falls Mills.

John G. Peery appointed additional Constable.

A. P. Brown qualified as Justice of the Peace.

James Bandy appointed deputy for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff of the county.

John T. Litz appointed Superintendent of the Poor for the county, having been recommended by the Board of Supervisors for said office.

C. L. Snidow and Samuel Laird appointed additional Justices of the Peace for a term of two years.

William Buffalow appointed additional Constable.

R. B. Correll qualified as Justice of the Peace, having been elected at the last election to said office.

*July Term.* Wm. E. Neel and Samuel Crockett and David G. Yost appointed additional Justices of the Peace.

D. J. Taylor qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

H. Bane Harman qualified as Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District.

T. E. Howell qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*August Term.* Hon. H. C. Miller, Judge of Montgomery county, Presiding.

Graham voting precinct established.

*September Term.* Rees B. Correll qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Certificate given John C. Dickenson of disability from wound received in the heel in line of battle in Tennessee during the late war.

*October Term.* D. B. Baldwin qualified as County Treasurer, having been elected on May 24, 1883, for a term of six years.

*December Term.* Sidney M. B. Coulling qualified to practice law.

Samuel M. Graham appointed an additional Justice of the Peace at Graham.

E. King Crockett qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

#### 1884

*January Term.* Geo. W. Shawner appointed additional Constable and also Deputy Treasurer.

Wm. P. Payne qualified to practice law in this Court.

On motion of J. N. Harman, Attorney for the Commonwealth, who stated that he would be absent for a while, J. H. Stuart was appointed Attorney for the Commonwealth during the absence of said J. N. Harman.

S. W. Elswick qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*February Term.* G. P. McMullin appointed a Justice of the Peace in the place of Samuel Laird, deceased.

*March Term.* M. G. Witten appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

*April Term.* H. George McCall qualified as Constable for Clear Fork District.

Wm. H. Kelly qualified as Deputy Surveyor during the absence of H. P. Brittain, County Surveyor.

J. N. Harman, Attorney for the Commonwealth, resisted the application for license to sell liquor on the grounds that he is opposed to the sale of liquor in the county. He was permitted to appear as a friend of the Court in such cases. Said license refused by the Court and cases appealed to the Circuit Court.

*May Term.* Appeal to the Circuit Court by various applicants who were denied licenses to sell liquor.

Certain applicants for liquor license were granted the privilege to dispose of their stocks on hand. They were given from the 12th day of August, 1884, till the 3rd day of April, 1885, for this purpose.

"It having been suggested by citizens of Graham, a village recently incorporated, that no election officers have been appointed for that place, the Court doth therefore, appoint S. M. Graham,



Registrar, J. M. McCall, R. A. Miller and W. E. Bane, Judges of Election for the said Corporation."

John A. Painter, a soldier in the war, of the Southern Confederacy was granted a certificate of serious disability, resulting from wounds in the Military Service.

*June Term.* G. T. Gerald granted a certificate of disability from wounds received in Military Service in the late war between the States.

Ballard V. Harman granted a certificate of disability from wounds received in the Military Service in the late war between the States.

Julius C. Williams granted a certificate of disability resulting from wounds received while in the Military Service of the Southern Confederacy during the late war

*August Term.* George Harrison appointed Constable in the place of Deskins Green, resigned.

William Conley granted a certificate for disability resulting from Military Service during the late war.

*September Term.* George Harrison appointed Deputy Treasurer of the county.

An election was ordered to be held on the 4th day of November, 1884, to take the sense of the voters on the proposition to authorize the Board of Supervisors to subscribe for the county, \$50,000 stock to the Virginia and Kentucky Railroad Company.

Henry H. Marrs granted certificate of disability resulting from Military Service in the late war.

*October Term.* C. M. Cecil appointed Constable for Jeffersonville District.

*November Term.* Report of the vote for and against the \$50,000 subscription to the Virginia and Kentucky Railroad Company's stock showed a majority in favor of said subscription, therefore the Board of Supervisors are summoned to meet on the 22nd day of December, 1884, and carry into effect the said subscription.

*December Term.* Thomas S. Bailey appointed a Deputy Treasurer of county.

C. C. Wilson and H. G. McCall appointed Deputy Treasurers for the county.

James H. Wingo appointed Reassessor of Lands for Clear Fork District; and James P. Whitman for Jeffersonville District, Henry E. Maxwell for Maiden Springs District.

1885

*January Term.* W. A. Lyons appointed an additional Justice of the Peace for Clear Fork District.

"The death of Joseph Stras, Esq., the Senior member of this bar, having been brought to the attention of this Court, in its Official Character and it being regarded but a proper mark of respect to the memory of so distinguished a member of the profession and of so valued and respected a citizen of this county as well as a notice and action with reference to the loss sustained by his death; and many citizens of the county desiring to unite in a fitting tribute to the memory of the deceased;

The court therefore orders, that the following resolutions of the members of the bar and citizens of the county be entered on the records of this Court as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased: Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, to call from this life our distinguished friend and brother, Joseph Stras, Esq., the senior member of this bar, in the 77th year of age, who for over half a century has been an active practitioner before our Courts, winning by his dignified and courteous bearing, the confidence and esteem of the Courts and Bar, and who enjoyed in an eminent degree the respect and admiration of all for his profound learning and on the attainments as a lawyer, and his sterling and unbending integrity as a man,

Therefore, be it resolved; that in the death of our friend and brother, Joseph Stras, the bar lost one of its most learned, honored and distinguished members, who dignified the profession by his fidelity and trusts and his profound learning as a lawyer and the community one of its most useful and esteemed citizens, and who for his dignified and courteous bearing as well as his eminent ability will long be remembered,

Resolved, That a copy of this proceeding be sent to the family of the deceased, as an assurance of our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, That as a further tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased, the Court be requested to enter these proceedings on the records, and that a copy hereof be furnished the Clinch Valley News by the Clerk of this court for publication.

R. R. Henry,  
H. C. Alderson,

A. J. Tynes,  
E. S. Howard.  
Committee."

"It is ordered by the Court that tolls on the road from Tazewell Courthouse to Graham be suspended, until said road was put in proper condition, etc., and that the Board of Supervisors meet at once to take action."

William Rector qualified to practice law in this Court.

Gratt Crockett appointed Deputy Sheriff.

H. G. Carter and Wm. R. Havens appointed deputies for D. B. Baldwin, Treasurer of the county.

*March Term.* Thomas S. Bailey appointed deputy Sheriff.

*April Term.* Applicants for license to sell liquor refused and they appealed to the Circuit Court.

W. E. Bane appointed an additional Justice of the Peace.

*May Term.* James M. Barnett granted certificate of disability on account of being a soldier in the late war.

*June Term.* The following district officers, who were elected on the 28th day of May, 1885, for a term of two years, qualified before the Court, viz:

John M. Yost, Constable for Jeffersonville District.

John W. Whitt, Constable for Maiden Spring District.

Joseph S. Moss, Supervisor for Clear Fork District.

W. W. Peery, Supervisor for Jeffersonville District.

James H. Gillespie, Supervisor for Maiden Spring District.

W. L. Moore, E. Brewster, and C. T. Griffith, Justices of the Peace for Maiden Spring District.

Samuel Crockett, A. P. Brown and John W. Gillespie, Justices of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

David G. Yost, T. E. Howell and Joseph H. Bane, Justices of the Peace for Clear Fork District.

Geo. Harrison appointed an additional Constable for Maiden Spring District.

Maxey G. Witten appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District in the place of Z. T. Witten, resigned.

Licenses to sell liquor were granted to several applicants. These applicants having reversed the ruling of the County Court upon their appeal from the former decision of the County Court, refusing to grant licenses. These licenses were granted to expire April 30, 1886.

*July Term.* C. P. Greever appointed an additional Justice of the Peace.



*August Term.* P. P. Dillon, of Pocahontas, appointed Justice of the Peace.

John S. Walker and Charles C. Wilson appointed Constables.

*October Term.* Wm. Yost and Abel Hankins appointed additional Justices of the Peace for Maiden Spring District.

*November Term.* C. W. Greever appointed County Treasurer on motion of D. B. Baldwin, resigned.

A. E. Morgan appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

Geo. Harrison qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Wm. J. Clark appointed additional Justice of the Peace.

H. Bane Harman appointed Commissioner of Accounts until J. W. Chapman, the regular Commissioner, returns to Tazewell.

*December Term.* M. C. Browning qualified to practice law in this Court.

Thomas Harrison appointed an additional Constable in Maiden Spring District.

K. D. R. Harman qualified as deputy for John W. Crockett, Sheriff of the County, and also as deputy for C. W. Greever, Treasurer of the county.

Hon. S. M. B. Coulling, who has been elected and commissioned Judge of the County Court of Tazewell county, took the oath as such.

“At a meeting of the members of the Bar of Tazewell county, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, and ordered to be spread upon the record of the County Court of said county:

Whereas the Official term of the Hon. Sterling F. Watts as Judge of the County Court of Tazewell is about to expire, and it is deemed that as a proper mark of our respect and esteem for Judge Watts, we express our sense in relation to his retirement; therefore be it

Resolved, That we hereby tender to Judge Watts the assurance of our high esteem and our appreciation of his ability, impartiality and unvarying kindness to the Bar, and in his retirement, we tender to him our sincere wishes for his future success and happiness.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Clinch Valley News.”

1886

S. M. B. Coulling, Judge, Presiding.

*January Term.* A. P. Gillespie qualified as Attorney for the Commonwealth to serve as such during the absence of J. N. Hartman, the duly elected Attorney for the Commonwealth, returns from Florida.

John D. Dailey appointed additional Constable for Jeffersonville District, on motion of J. M. Yost, Constable.

W. C. Low qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*February Term.* Joshua Rose, C. A. Fudge, W. T. Wood and A. M. White granted certificates of disability incurred during the late war. (See orders on pp. 229 and 230.)

Local option election ordered in Maiden Spring District to be held on April 24, 1886.

*March Term.* T. M. Carter appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

G. B. Stevenson appointed Constable in Clear Fork District.

Charles H. Steel appointed Constable in Maiden Spring District.

M. L. Stephens and Michael Baugh granted certificates of disability produced in Military service during the late war. Also certificate granted to B. F. Macom, W. H. Barnett, Preston Jones for disabilities caused from said service.

On petition of one-fourth of the qualified voters in the Jeffersonville Magisterial District, it is ordered that an election be held on the 6th day of May, 1886, to take the sense of the qualified voters upon the question of Liquor License or no Liquor License within the said district.

James W. Smith granted a certificate of disability caused by military service during the late war.

James S. Browning qualified to practice law in this Court.

Certificates of the results of the Local Option elections held on the 24th day of April, 1886, in Clear Fork and Maiden Spring Magisterial Districts, were entered of record.

The granting of license to sell liquor to various persons who applied for such privilege was contested before the Court by Joseph Stras, H. G. Peery and other citizens. License having been granted, the contestants appealed to the Circuit Court and gave bond, conditioned according to law.

George W. Crigger obtained certificate for disability caused by Military Service in time of the late war.

*May Term.* J. M. C. Catron appointed Justice of the Peace. M. W. Barrett granted certificate of disability incurred during the late war.

Certificate of the results of the Local Option election held in Jeffersonville Magisterial District on May 6, 1886, was entered of record.

*June Term.* R. W. Brown and B. T. Hodge qualified to practice law in this Court.

*July Term.* C. S. Finley qualified to practice law in this Court.

*September Term.* L. A. Sampselle qualified to practice law in this Court.

John Whitaker granted certificate of disability caused in Military service in the late war.

*October Term.* Richard Steel granted certificate for disability incurred in Military service during the late war.

*November Term.* Thos. N. Williams qualified to practice law in this Court.

Samuel F. Allison qualified as Deputy Treasurer of the county.

Washington Puckett granted certificate of disability resulting from Military service in the late war.

*December Term.* D. H. Williams qualified as Deputy Treasurer of the county.

#### 1887

*February Term.* Ezekial L. Osborne granted certificate of disability resulting from his service in the late war.

*April Term.* On the application of several druggists for license to sell liquor on physicians' prescriptions the following persons entered themselves as contestants, viz: Joseph Stras, George Buston, George W. Doak, D. T. Thomas, C. A. Deaton, W. J. Clark, John P. McMullin, S. A. Witten, S. J. Thompson, G. W. Higginbotham and W. D. Maloy, who were entered as defendants. After argument by counsel the Court took time to consider the application.

The Court confirmed the purchase of the County Farm heretofore made by the Board of Supervisors.

*June Term.* The following persons, elected to the respective offices on the 26th day of May, 1887, qualified before the Court as required by law, viz.:

T. E. George, Clerk of the Courts for a term of six years from July 1, 1887.



John W. Crockett, Sheriff for a term of four years from said date.

C. W. Greever, Treasurer for four years.

J. N. Harman, Attorney for the Commonwealth for a term of four years.

Jessee Bailey, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District for a term of four years.

Samuel Crockett, Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District for a term of four years.

T. Z. Cecil, Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District for a term of four years.

H. Wade Steel appointed by the Court Superintendent of the Poor for a term of four years.

District officers qualified as follows:

Joseph S. Moss, Supervisor for Clear Fork District for a term of two years.

W. W. Peery, Supervisor of Jeffersonville District for a term of two years.

D. Green, Supervisor of Maiden Spring District for a term of two years.

John M. Yost, Constable for Jeffersonville District for a term of two years.

Charles H. Steel, Constable for Maiden Spring District for a term of two years.

James Bandy appointed deputy for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff.

H. Bane Harman and Rufus Brittain appointed deputies for T. E. George, Clerk of the Courts.

Justices of the Peace qualified for a term of two years as follows: A. P. Brown, Jno. W. Gillespie and A. T. Conley for Jeffersonville District; T. E. Howell, P. P. Dillon for Clear Fork District; G. W. Patton, Wm. L. Moore and H. F. Hunt for Maiden Spring District.

James W. Hicks qualified to practice law in this Court.

John D. Dailey appointed Additional Constable for Jeffersonville District.

Norfolk & Western Railroad Company made a large number of applications to condemn right of way for the Clinch Valley extension of its road through the county.

Alexander S. Peery qualified as Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

Thomas Harrison appointed Additional Constable for Maiden Spring District.

H. P. Brittain, on recommendation of Board of Supervisors, appointed County Surveyor for a term of four years.

*July Term.* John D. Dailey qualified as deputy for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff of the county; and John Peery qualified a Deputy Sheriff and Jailer.

Geo. R. Pool qualified to practice law in this Court.

C. J. Barnes qualified to practice law in this Court.

T. L. Holmes appointed additional Justice of the Peace.

*August Term.* James R. Crockett, Jr., appointed Constable in Clear Fork District.

R. B. Duff appointed Justice of the Peace in Maiden Spring District.

C. P. Greever appointed Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork District.

*October Term.* W. A. Lyons appointed deputy for C. W. Greever, Treasurer of the county.

Joseph Bane qualified as Justice of the Peace, having been elected such at the last election.

*December Term.* Samuel J. Thompson appointed Justice of the Peace.

Order establishing road from Tazewell Courthouse to the depot.

C. D. Frazier appointed Constable.

## 1888

*January Term.* Wm. H. Kelly qualified as deputy for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

*February Term.* R. L. Gillespie appointed Constable in Clear Fork District.

C. D. Frazier appointed deputy for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff.

*April Term.* Allowed claim of William H. Osborn for compensation as a maimed soldier in the late war.

*May Term.* Richard Steel applied for benefits under Act to aid Confederate soldiers.

*June Term.* A petition of one-fourth of the qualified voters of Clear Fork Magisterial District was presented, praying the Court to order a Local Option election in said district, which was ordered to be held on the 11th day of August, 1888.

*July Term.* Madison H. Hayth of Mercer county, qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. W. French qualified to practice law in this Court.

The order for a local option election in the Clear Fork District, on motion of J. K. Rudisall and others is annulled.

*September Term.* T. L. Henritzie qualified to practice law in this Court.

Local option election ordered in Maiden Spring District to be held on December 8, 1888.

R. Brittain qualified as deputy for C. W. Greever, Treasurer.

*October Term.* Rush F. Cecil appointed Justice of the Peace in Maiden Spring District.

*December Term.* Notices of the Local Option election in the Maiden Spring District not having been posted as the law requires, no election was held. The Court fixed February 2, 1889, to hold said election.

December 27, 1888, J. N. Harman resigned as Attorney for the Commonwealth for Tazewell county, and the Court appointed J. W. Chapman to fill out the unexpired term of said J. N. Harman.

"Whereas J. N. Harman has resigned this day, his office of Commonwealth's Attorney for this county, it is resolved by the members of the bar at this place that they desire to express on the records of this Court, their high regard and kind feelings for him, both as a man and as an Officer of this Court; and to attest their appreciation of his amiable and courteous bearing toward all while in the discharge of his duties, duties which certainly require great patience, skill and labor; that they further attest their regret that he has seen fit to sever his connection with the Office and that their best wishes will follow him in any new field of labor he may choose; that these resolutions be entered of record.

Chapman and Gillespie

J. W. Hicks

Henry and Graham

L. A. Sampselle

A. J. and S. D. May

J. H. Stuart

H. C. Alderson

S. M. B. Coulling."

1889

*February Term.* Certified by the Commissioners of Election that the vote in Maiden Spring District in the Local Option election on February 2, 1889, is as follows: 255 votes cast for license and 180 votes cast against license.



C. A. Wagner appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

*June Term.* At election held for district officers on May 23, 1889, the following persons, who were elected to the respective offices, qualified as such, as follows:

G. M. Graybeal, Supervisor for Jeffersonville District.

R. M. Sparks, Supervisor for Maiden Spring District.

James G. Higginbotham, Supervisor for Clear Fork District.

S. S. F. Harman, Constable for Jeffersonville District.

R. L. Gillespie, Constable for Clear Fork District.

C. H. Steel, Constable for Maiden Spring District.

Justices of the Peace as follows: C. A. Leece, A. P. Brown and John W. Gillespie for Jeffersonville District; T. E. Howell, Jas. H. Bane and W. R. Havens for Clear Fork District; W. A. Barns, H. F. Hunt and Geo. W. Patton for Maiden Spring District.

Thomas Harrison appointed an additional Constable in Maiden Spring District.

F. L. Holmes qualified to practice law in this Court.

*July Term.* A. A. Thompson qualified as deputy for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff of the county.

D. J. Taylor qualified as Sergeant of the town of Pocahontas.

A. M. Grimsley qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* Ordered that additional Justices of the Peace be elected at the next election for each district.

*November Term.* "This day came Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff of Tazewell county and in open Court tendered his resignation as such Sheriff, which resignation was accepted by the Court and thereupon the Court appointed James Bandy Sheriff of Tazewell county . . ."

On motion of James Bandy, John W. Crockett, John Peery and George Harrison qualified as his deputies.

L. T. Greever appointed a Constable in Clear Fork District.

J. H. Gillespie qualified as a Deputy Clerk of the Courts.

*December Term.* H. G. Peery appointed Justice of the Peace in place of A. P. Brown, recently moved out of the District to Graham.

G. S. Gildersleeve appointed County Surveyor in the place of H. P. Brittain, resigned.

James Allen appointed Constable in Jeffersonville District in place of S. S. F. Harman, resigned.

John T. Walker qualified as Deputy Treasurer of the county.

Joseph S. Moss for Clear Fork District, W. W. Peery for Jeffersonville District and James H. Gillespie for Maiden Spring District, were appointed to assess the lands in the county.

## 1890

*January Term.* A. T. Conley appointed a Justice of the Peace in Jeffersonville District.

J. R. Campbell appointed a Justice of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

*March Term.* License to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas granted to a large number of applicants under a special law allowing license to be granted for that town on consent of its Town Council.

*September Term.* L. Lazarus and other applicants for license to sell liquor at Richlands were refused such license and an appeal was granted to the Circuit Court.

*October Term.* Henry J. Tabor qualified as Constable for Clear Fork District.

T. K. Hall qualified as Justice of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

## 1891

*January Term.* Liquor license granted to Clinch Valley Coal & Iron Company to sell at Richlands.

D. A. Daugherty qualified as deputy for James Bandy, Sheriff of the county.

*February Term.* S. R. Spracher qualified as Constable for Clear Fork District.

*March Term.* Richlands voting precinct established.

H. Wade Steel resigned as Superintendent of the Poor and Jno. F. Litz was appointed in his place.

*April Term.* J. H. Clare qualified to practice law in this Court.

Twelve liquor licenses to sell liquor in the Town of Pocahontas were granted with consent of the Town Council.

Five licenses granted to sell liquor in Richlands; one applicant for license to sell liquor at Pounding Mill was refused, and an appeal to the Circuit Court was granted.

A druggist license to sell liquor in the Town of Tazewell was refused and the applicant appealed.

*June Term.* District officers elected on the 28th day of May, 1891, qualified before the Court as follows:

J. S. Moss, Supervisor of Clear Fork District.

J. H. Gillespie, Supervisor of Maiden Spring District.

D. W. Lynch, Supervisor of Jeffersonville District.

James C. Peery, Commissioner of the Revenue, Maiden Spring District.

F. P. Rutherford, Commissioner of the Revenue, Jeffersonville District.

W. L. Stephens, Commissioner of the Revenue, Clear Fork District.

H. G. Peery, C. A. Leece, G. W. Riley, James P. Whitt and T. K. Hall, Justices of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

W. R. Havens, Joseph H. Bane, A. B. Neel, C. D. Frazier and T. E. Howell, Justices of the Peace for Clear Fork District.

Geo. W. Patton, H. L. Hunt, Wm. H. Altiser, James G. Nickells, R. F. Cecil and Wm. L. Moore, Justices of the Peace for Maiden Spring District.

County Officers elected at said election qualified as follows: James Bandy, Sheriff; R. Brittain, Treasurer; J. W. Chapman, Attorney for the Commonwealth.

John L. Litz appointed Superintendent of the Poor.

James H. Wingo appointed Surveyor of the County.

Jno. W. Crockett, D. A. Daugherty, Geo. Harman and John Peery qualified as deputies for James Bandy, Sheriff of County.

P. P. Dillon, W. E. Bane and W. C. Tabor qualified as Justices of the Peace for Clear Fork District.

J. W. Gillespie qualified as Justice of the Peace for Jeffersonville District.

J. A. Strother qualified to practice law in this Court.

Thomas Harrison qualified as Constable in Maiden Spring District.

W. W. Wallace qualified as Justice of the Peace for Clear Fork District.

*July Term.* J. W. M. Witten appointed Constable.

*August Term.* M. T. Christian appointed Constable.

John T. Barns qualified to practice law in this Court.

*September Term.* F. W. Atkinson qualified as Constable.

*October Term.* C. H. Steel qualified as Constable in Maiden Spring District.



*December Term.* James Allen, C. H. Steel and Jno. S. Walker qualified as deputies for R. Brittain, Treasurer of the county.

Liquor license granted at Richlands and Pocahontas.

"At a meeting of the Members of the Bar of Tazewell county in connection with the Sheriffs and Clerks of the County Court of Tazewell, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted and requested to be spread upon the records of the County Court by the Clerk.

Whereas the official term of the Hon. S. M. B. Coulling as Judge of the County Court of Tazewell county is about to expire and it is desired that as a proper mark of our respect and esteem for Judge Coulling, we express our sense in relation to his retirement—therefore be it Resolved that we hereby tender to Judge Coulling the assurance of our high esteem and our appreciation of his ability—impartiality—and unvarying kindness and courtesy to the Bar and officers of this Court, and in his retirement we tender to him our sincere wishes for his future success and happiness.

Resolved further that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the two papers published at Tazewell Courthouse."

## 1892

January 1st. J. H. Stuart qualified as Judge of the County Court of Tazewell county.

*February Term.* B. B. Greever qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*April Term.* License to sell liquor at Richlands granted.

John H. Lewis qualified as Deputy Treasurer of County.

W. G. Gillenwaters qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*June Term.* S. L. Maxey qualified as Constable.

Court of Appeals order entered approving the judgment of the County Court of Tazewell in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Wm. Davis (colored), sentenced to be hanged for the crime of murder. NOTE: This is the second person to be executed in the County of Tazewell. William Davis was known as "Horsehead Bill."

*July Term.* Everett Leftwich qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. M. Yost qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*August Term.* John F. Gillespie qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*December Term.* John S. Walker and McTeer Sanders qualified as deputies for R. Brittain, County Treasurer.

1893

*February Term.* C. C. Mitchell qualified to practice law in this Court.

Sparrel Steel qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*April Term.* Liquor licenses granted in the towns of Pocahontas and Richlands.

*June Term.* T. E. George, who was elected on the 23rd day of May, 1893, Clerk of the County Court, and H. Bane Harman, who was elected at said election, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tazewell county for a term of six years, qualified as such Clerks, respectively.

L. C. Wingo, G. M. Graybeal and R. H. Ratliff, who at said election were elected Supervisors of their respective districts, qualified as such.

W. H. Carbaugh and Joseph White elected Overseers of the Poor at said election and Thomas Harrison, elected Constable.

Justices of the Peace elected as follows: W. W. Wallace, C. D. Frazier, A. B. Neel, H. G. Thompson, F. E. Howell, W. E. Bane, J. H. Bane, W. R. Havens and H. E. Yost for Clear Fork District.

C. A. Leece, J. R. Campbell, H. G. Peery, Jno. W. Gillespie, Peel Harman and J. P. Whitt for Jeffersonville District.

W. L. Moore, Geo. W. Patton, B. F. Riley, Wm. Yost, R. F. Cecil and H. F. Hunt for Maiden Spring District.

J. T. Lester qualified as Constable for Maiden Spring District.

P. H. Williams qualified as Superintendent of Public Schools, having been appointed by the State Board of Education.

J. W. M. Witten qualified as Constable.

*July Term.* C. E. Richmond qualified to practice law in this Court.

V. L. Sexton qualified to practice law in this Court.

B. B. Greever qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*September Term.* R. R. Fauntleroy qualified to practice law in this Court.

*October Term.* M. T. Christian qualified as Constable of Clear Fork District.

W. B. Spratt granted a certificate to take the law examination.

R. A. T. Clement appointed Deputy Clerk for T. E. George.

*December Term.* H. M. Ford qualified to practice law in this Court.

1894

*January Term.* H. W. Steel and John W. Peery qualified as Deputy Sheriffs.

Sparrel Steel qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*February Term.* W. S. Crockett qualified as Constable.

I. C. Dodd and J. S. Walker appointed deputies for R. Brittain, County Treasurer.

*March Term.* John A. McCall qualified as Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue.

William Claytor qualified as Constable.

B. F. Riley and R. Gillespie qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Certificates granted to Barnes Gillespie, A. S. Higginbotham, Chapman Alderson, and E. L. Greever upon which they are to apply for license to practice law.

*April Term.* Three persons granted license to sell liquor in the Town of Richlands, and four licenses granted to sell liquor in Pocahontas.

*May Term.* James P. Whitt qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*June Term.* R. Hadden Penn qualified to practice law in this Court.

M. P. Maxey qualified as Constable.

*July Term.* O. C. Duff appointed Justice of the Peace.

*August Term.* T. K. Hall qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

*September Term.* North Tazewell election precinct established.

*November Term.* Edgar Lee Greever qualified to practice law.

A. A. Campbell qualified to practice law in this Court.

*December Term.* J. J. Benbow, H. A. George and O. B. Moore appointed by the Court to reassess lands in the county.

1895

*January Term.* W. B. Spratt qualified to practice law in this Court.

William Claytor and W. S. Crockett qualified as deputies for R. Brittain, County Treasurer.

*March Term.* John Brittain qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

S. M. Graham, Surveyor for Tazewell county, presented reports and various surveys of lands made by him.



*May Term.* R. S. Williams appointed County Surveyor for a term of four years.

Jno. F. Litz appointed Superintendant of the Poor for four years. Both appointed on recommendation of the Board of Supervisors, as the law directs.

License to sell liquor in the Town of Richlands granted.

*June Term.* C. A. Leece, J. R. Campbell, B. F. Riley, Kiah Harman and H. G. Peery, who were elected Justices of the Peace for Jeffersonville District at the election held on May 23, 1895, appeared in Court and qualified as such to serve two years from July 1, 1895.

J. Ed. Peery was elected Supervisor of said District at said election.

J. N. Johnson was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for said district at said election for a term of four years.

S. H. Payne was elected Constable for said district at said election for a term of two years.

O. C. Duff, S. White and Geo. W. Patton elected as Justices of the Peace at said election for Maiden Spring District.

W. L. C. Burke was elected at said election Supervisor of Maiden Spring District.

T. A. Altizer elected Constable for said district.

Samuel H. Laird was at said election elected Commissioner of the Revenue for said district.

W. W. Wallace, F. L. Holmes, H. G. Thompson, A. B. Neel, C. D. Frazier, P. P. Dillon and W. R. Havens were elected Justices of the Peace for Clear Fork District at said election.

J. H. Greever at said election was elected Supervisor of Clear Fork District.

G. A. Sink was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for said District at said election.

County Officers elected at said election:

R. K. Gillespie, County Treasurer.

John W. Crockett elected Sheriff.

John T. Barnes elected Attorney for the Commonwealth.

Jas. P. Whitt qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Guy Christian and Wm. L. Moore qualified as Justices of the Peace, having been elected at said election.

John W. Gillespie was also elected Justice of the Peace.

C. D. Shell (colored) elected at said election as Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork District.

James Bandy qualified as deputy for John W. Crockett, Sheriff.

Chas. H. Steel, elected Constable for Maiden Spring District, qualified as such.

H. Wade Steel and C. M. Steel qualified as Deputy Sheriffs.

H. P. Brittain qualified as deputy for R. K. Gillespie, Treasurer of the county.

H. F. Hunt qualified as Justice of the Peace for Maiden Spring District.

H. G. McCall qualified as deputy for R. K. Gillespie, Treasurer.

J. Floyd Gillespie qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*July Term.* Charles P. Williams qualified as Deputy Surveyor.

Thomas Harrison and John P. McMullin qualified as deputies for Jno. W. Crockett, Sheriff.

B. B. Greever and R. Gillespie qualified as Justices of the Peace.

W. S. Crockett and S. P. Maxey qualified as Constables.

*September Term.* Chas. H. Steel qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

S. S. P. Patterson and R. N. French qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. M. Beavers qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*November Term.* W. W. Wells qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*December Term.* R. J. Shelton qualified to practice law in this Court.

Sparrel Steel qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

1896

*February Term.* M. T. Christian qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

J. R. Henry granted a certificate on which to base his application for license to practice law.

*April Term.* Fifteen applicants were granted license to sell liquor at Pocahontas.

William Yost was appointed assistant to S. H. Laird, Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

A. W. Tabor appointed Assistant to G. A. Sink, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

G. W. Harless and S. D. Steel appointed assistants to G. A. Sink, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

*May Term.* Balfour White and J. M. McCall qualified as Justices of the Peace.

William Claytor qualified as assistant to J. N. Johnson, Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District.

*June Term.* J. W. Whitley appointed Justice of the Peace.

1897

*June Term.* Geo. C. Peery and J. Walker Bowen granted certificates upon which to apply for license to practice law.

B. White, T. A. Gillespie, W. L. Moore, M. D. Smith, W. J. Elswick and Geo. C. Bailey, who were elected Justices of the Peace at the election held on May 27, 1897, qualified as such before the Court.

P. P. Dillon, W. R. Havens, C. H. Greever, James Sluss, J. Floyd Gillespie and J. M. Harper, who were elected at said election Justices of the Peace, qualified as such before the Court.

T. C. Crockett, Geo. W. Bandy, J. M. C. Catron, C. A. Leece and C. Mitchell, who were elected Justices of the Peace at said election, qualified as such.

J. Ed. Peery, J. H. Greever and W. L. C. Burke, who were elected Supervisors at said election, qualified as such.

Chas. H. Steel, Thos. A. Altizer and D. H. Payne, who were elected at said election Constables, qualified as such.

R. W. Witten, elected at said election, Justice of the Peace, qualified as such.

P. H. Williams qualified as Superintendent of Public Schools.

H. G. Peery, who was elected, at said election Justice of the Peace, qualified as such.

D. C. Shell, who was elected at said election, qualified as Justice of the Peace.

J. H. Sanders qualified as Constable.

*July Term.* S. L. Maxey appointed a Constable.

*August Term.* Geo. C. Peery qualified to practice law in this Court.

Wm. R. Graham granted a certificate on which to apply for license to practice law.

*September Term.* W. L. Mustard qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*October Term.* R. G. McCall appointed Constable.

1898

*January Term.* J. H. Stuart, having been re-elected Judge of



the County Court by the General Assembly and duly commissioned as such by the Governor of Virginia, took the oath required by law and entered upon his duties as such Judge.

E. H. Witten qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. M. Minter qualified to practice law in this Court.

*March Term.* J. W. Laird qualified as Assistant Commissioner of Revenue.

*April Term.* Thirteen applicants granted licenses to sell liquor in the Town of Pocahontas.

*June Term.* T. C. Bowen qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* C. P. Greever qualified as Constable.

*October Term.* W. T. Bowling qualified as Constable.

#### 1899

*April Term.* Twelve applicants granted licenses to sell liquor in Pocahontas.

S. V. Kelly appointed County Surveyor.

John F. Litz appointed Superintendent of the Poor.

*June Term.* R. S. Gillespie and J. P. Buffalow appointed Deputy Sheriffs.

T. A. Gillespie, Harve Beavers, J. M. McCall and W. R. Havens qualified as Justices of the Peace, having been elected as such on May 25, 1899.

J. L. Parker qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. P. Brittain, having been elected on May 25, 1899, Treasurer of the County, qualified as such.

W. L. C. Burk qualified as Supervisor of Maiden Spring District.

M. F. Neel qualified as Supervisor of Clear Fork District.

B. J. Fuller qualified as Supervisor Jeffersonville District, they having been elected as such on May 25, 1899.

H. Bane Harman, who was elected on May 25, 1899, as Clerk of the Circuit Court, qualified as such.

J. W. Bowen qualified to practice law in this Court.

J. N. Johnson qualified as Commissioner of Revenue for Jeffersonville District, to which office he was elected on May 25, 1899.

Chas. H. Steel qualified as Constable for Maiden Spring District, having been elected as such at said election.

C. A. Leece and G. W. Bandy, elected at said election, qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Barnes Gillespie qualified as Attorney for the Commonwealth, having been elected as such on May 25, 1899.

T. E. George qualified as Clerk of the County, having been elected as such on May 25, 1899.

T. E. Glenn qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. L. Moore and P. P. Dillon qualified as Justices of the Peace, having been elected as such on May 25, 1899.

Thomas Peery elected Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District at said election, qualified as such.

J. Wilke Witten qualified as Constable for Jeffersonville District, having been elected as such at said election, and C. P. Greever, who was elected at said election Constable of Clear Fork District, also qualified as such.

James Bandy, who was elected Sheriff on May 25, 1899, qualified as such, and J. P. Buffalow, Thomas Harrison and John P. McMullin qualified as his deputies.

H. G. Peery qualified as Justice of the Peace.

John W. Crockett and R. S. Gillespie qualified as Deputy Sheriffs.

J. P. Harman qualified as deputy for the Clerk of the Circuit Court and R. A. Clement as deputy for the Clerk of the County Court.

*July Term.* C. H. Greever qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*September Term.* C. J. Barnes qualified as Deputy Clerk for the Circuit Court.

J. Powell Royal qualified to practice law in this Court.

R. C. McClaugherty qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* E. King Crockett, A. J. May, Jr., and Balfour White were appointed to reassess the lands of the County.

*December Term.* W. W. Wells qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

## 1900

*January Term.* J. E. Linkous qualified as Deputy Treasurer. Charles B. Linkous qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

*April Term.* F. P. Rutherford qualified as deputy for J. N. Johnson, Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District.

*May Term.* A. J. May, Jr., qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

William Yost qualified as deputy for John Pack, Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

*August Term.* H. Lee Brown qualified as Constable for Clear Fork District.

*September Term.* W. G. Gillespie qualified as Constable for Maiden Spring District.

Liquor licenses granted in the town of Pocahontas.

*December Term.* G. P. McMullin, G. W. Harless and J. H. McMullin appointed deputies for H. P. Brittain, Treasurer.

#### 1901

*January Term.* F. P. Rutherford qualified as Constable.

R. M. Baldwin qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*March Term.* Liquor licenses granted in Pocahontas.

*June Term.* C. H. Steel qualified as Constable, having been elected as such on May 23, 1901.

M. F. Neel, elected Supervisor at said election for Clear Fork District; B. J. Fuller, elected at said election Supervisor for Jeffersonville District; and R. H. McGraw, elected Supervisor of Maiden Spring District, all qualified as such before the Court for a term of two years.

Justices of the Peace elected at said election qualified as follows: J. Floyd Gillespie, W. R. Havens, P. P. Dillon, J. M. McCall, for Clear Fork District; Eli Murphy, T. W. Wingo and J. H. Beavers for Maiden Spring District; R. L. Linkous and G. W. Bandy for Jeffersonville District.

F. P. Rutherford elected Constable at said election qualified.

G. W. Mays qualified as Constable, having been elected at said election to that office.

*July Term.* H. G. Peery qualified as Justice of the Peace, having been elected as such at said election.

W. L. Moore qualified as Justice of the Peace, having been elected at said election.

*September Term.* R. L. Davis appointed a Justice of the Peace.

*November Term.* C. B. Linkous appointed Constable.

#### 1902

*January Term.* C. H. Greever qualified as Justice of the Peace.

J. C. Wysor and D. M. Cosby qualified to practice law in this Court.

J. P. Harman qualified as deputy for T. E. George, Clerk of this county.



Walter P. Gray qualified to practice law in this Court.

*June Term.* A. G. Froe granted a certificate on which to base his application for license to practice law.

R. O. Crockett granted a certificate on which to base his application to practice law.

J. I. Peck qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*July Term.* J. Ed. Peery appointed Supervisor in the place of B. J. Fuller, deceased.

*August Term.* James P. D. Gardner qualified to practice law in this Court.

R. O. Crockett qualified to practice law in this Court.

M. O. Litz qualified to practice law in this Court.

*October Term.* T. L. Sayers qualified as deputy for James Bandy, Sheriff.

Oscar C. Dancy qualified to practice law in this Court.

#### 1903

January 10th "In Vacation," p. 206. The office of Sheriff of this county having become vacant by reason of the death of James Bandy, the Court appointed E. King Crockett Sheriff of Tazewell county to fill out the unexpired term of said James Bandy.

R. S. Gillespie qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*January Term.* J. Sterling Thomas qualified to practice law in this Court.

"At a meeting of the Bar and the officers of the Courts of Tazewell County, on the 20th day of January, 1903, Hon. J. H. Stuart was called to the chair to preside over said meeting.

"On motion the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved that we deeply deplore the death of James Bandy, late Sheriff of Tazewell county, who for more than twenty years was an officer of the Courts of this county.

Resolved that we express our appreciation of his official life.

He was courteous to the members of the Bar and prompt and faithful in the discharge of all his official duties.

Resolved that the County Court of Tazewell county be asked to enter these resolutions upon the Order Book of said Court, and that they be published in the newspapers of the county and a copy be forwarded to the family of the deceased."

G. W. Mays qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

*March Term.* On motion of John Pack, Commissioner of the

Revenue for Maiden Spring District, T. W. Hankins qualified as his assistant.

J. H. Beavers resigned as a Justice of the Peace and qualified as Deputy Sheriff, and R. G. McCall was appointed a Justice of the Peace in the place of said Beavers.

*April Term.* License to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas granted to several applicants.

*June Term.* Hon. J. H. Stuart, Judge, Presiding.

"To the Honorable, the County Court of Tazewell county:

Colonel Andrew J. May, a distinguished lawyer of this county, having died at his residence in Tazewell, Virginia, on the 3rd day of May, 1903, the members of the profession practicing at the bar of your Court, desire to pay their tribute of respect to the memory of this able lawyer and prominent citizen. The life, success and achievements of Colonel May furnish a striking example of what may be accomplished by a determined and upright man in a government fashioned as ours. Born in the mountains of Kentucky, at a time and place where but poor opportunities were afforded youth for education and advancement, his ambition early led him westward, whither he reached California in its golden age.

Returning to his native State, he had scarcely commenced the practice of his chosen profession, when the War Between the States began, in which he volunteered in the Army of the Confederacy, distinguishing himself as a brave and daring soldier, rising to the rank of Colonel; his most noted achievements as an officer being in engagements where he commanded as an independent chieftain, for which his bold and daring qualities peculiarly fitted him.

His most marked attribute throughout life in every position was his courage—a courage that was never daunted—sublime even in the hour of death.

Adopting this county as his home after the war, he early became a successful lawyer; marked high as a trusted and faithful Counselor; his fidelity to his client never flagged; his qualities showing best as an advocate, for he was bold and aggressive—often brilliant in his encounters.

He was endowed with a sleepless energy, and a capacity for work that was truly wonderful.

He was a man of high public spirit and will long be remembered for his sincere charity and his kindness and help to the poor



and needy. He was impetuous and sometimes rash, but once convinced that he had wounded a friend or a worthy antagonist, his great manhood readily prompted him to make amends. Colonel May bravely encountered his share of the hard struggles of life. May his strong heart forever rest in peace!

The bar of this Court pray that this tribute of respect to the memory of their dead comrade be spread upon the records of this Court and that copies hereof be sent to the county papers for publication, and to the family of the deceased."

*June Term.* Extension of the term of office of the present incumbents to January 1, 1904; p. 307—Supervisors: J. Ed. Peery, M. F. Neel and R. H. McGraw; Superintendent of Poor, J. F. Litz; Constables: G. W. Mays, F. P. Rutherford and C. H. Steele; Sheriff, E. King Crockett; Commissioners of the Revenue: Thomas Peery, J. N. Johnson; Overseers of the Poor: J. H. Nipper, W. H. Carbaugh and I. R. H. Stephenson; Clerk of Circuit Court, H. Bane Harman.

William Byrd Henry qualified to practice law in this Court.

*July Term.* Rev. W. M. Morrell, minister of the M. E. Church South, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

C. P. Williams appointed assistant to W. C. Williams, Commissioner of Revenue of Maiden Spring District.

*August Term.* C. B. Linkous appointed Constable.

*September Term.* J. Powell Royall qualified as Mayor of the town of Tazewell.

W. E. Craig qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

*October Term.* Rev. G. M. Dickerson, colored, minister of Christian Church, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

James Rappoport qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

*November Term.* On hearing of the death of Douglas H. Smith, a member of this bar, which occurred on yesterday the 16th inst., a committee was appointed to accompany the remains to Russell county, and the Court, out of respect for the deceased, adjourned until tomorrow.

George Harrison qualified as deputy for E. King Crockett, Sheriff of the county.

November, p. 330, "Memorial."

"Douglas H. Smith was born at Smithfield, Russell county, Virginia, thirty years ago, the present month. He died at Taze-



well, Virginia, Monday, November 16, 1903. He was a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and of the law school of Washington and Lee University. Being thus well equipped to enter the profession of law, he began the practice of law at the bar of this county, and continued to reside here until the time of his death.

His death was as sudden and unexpected as it was sad and untimely and is deeply and sincerely regretted by the members of this bar. He was a young man of more than ordinary intellect, studious, thoughtful, industrious and ambitious; had already established a practice that assured his success, and he bid fair to take high rank at the bar.

Resolved by the members of the Tazewell Bar, that the foregoing Memorial to Douglas H. Smith be spread upon the records of this Court as a tribute of their respect to his memory.

It is ordered by the Court that the foregoing Memorial be spread upon the records of this Court."

"On motion of H. C. Alderson, it is ordered that the written tribute to the memory of Douglas H. Smith, read by Judge Graham, on presenting the Memorial, be spread upon the records of this Court, and that a copy of the Memorial and the written tribute be furnished his Mother, Mrs. F. G. S. Watts, and copies also be published in the Tazewell Republican, Clinch Valley News and Lebanon News.

The Court here notes that other feeling and appropriate addresses on the character and life of the deceased were delivered by Maj. R. R. Henry, W. H. Worth, W. M. Minter and J. Powell Royall."

*Address of Judge Graham.*

May it please your Honor:

Let death come at any hour or at any place, mortal man views it as an intruder of fearful mien.

But a few months ago, we lost the oldest member of our fraternity, one who lived beyond his allotted three-score years and ten—a man who had accomplished far more in his profession and in his life than falls to the share of his less gifted fellow-beings; still the surroundings of his last days were so full of pathos that we then thought that death was cruel in its relentless demand.

Now, we must part with our youngest comrade, with a life of scarcely three decades, just on the threshold of mature manhood;

his few years spent alone in preparation for the stern demands of his great profession; his fondest hopes unrealized; his great ambition unattained, all the labors and struggles of *bouyant* youth must surrender to this undefinable apparition called death.

“Come when the heart beats high and warm,  
With banquet-song and dance and wine  
And thou art terrible! the tear,  
The grave, the knell, the pall, the bier,  
And all we know or dream or fear  
Of agony, are thine!”

We all knew the environments of Douglas Smith, and in them we know and feel that this death is full of pathetic sadness. Trained in an academy that makes soldiers; schooled in a college that makes lawyers; he was singularly well equipped for the inevitable struggles of his profession.

Besides, he was a young man of more than ordinary intellect, studious, thoughtful, industrious and ambitious and he bid fair to take high rank at the bar, but—

“A greater power than we can contradict,  
Hath thwarted our intents.”

Sometimes I think in this day of commercialism we pause too seldom to cultivate the fellowship of our living brethren, or to cherish the memory of the dead of our profession, for certainly I am warranted in saying that among the latter, at least, we have had at this bar some truly great men and lawyers.

No calling can be great, or deserves to be great, which does not cherish a lofty sentiment for its eminent men, who have gone before and erected the standard of its excellence. Belonging to a profession, as we do, which has no envy or jealousy for its living, we will keep with pathetic kindness the memory of Douglas H. Smith, and will think of him as having journeyed to some unknown realm, there to live forever in the flower of youth.”

J. F. McGraw appointed Superintendent of the Poor for a period of four years beginning January 1, 1904.

A. B. Neel appointed County Surveyor, term to begin January 1, 1904.

1904

*January Term.* George Harrison appointed Constable on motion of F. P. Rutherford, Constable of Jeffersonville District.



P. 427: "At a meeting of the bar of Tazewell County, Virginia, January 25, 1904.

H. C. Alderson, Chairman; A. S. Higginbotham, Secretary.  
On motion the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas by the Constitution of Virginia of 1902, that most ancient and time-honored tribunal in the Judicial System of this Commonwealth, known as the County Court, was abolished, and this, the last term of the County Court of Tazewell county, is now drawing to a close, as provided by said Constitution; and whereas the closing of this current term of the said Court marks the retirement of the Honorable J. H. Stuart from the Judgeship of the County Court of this county after an honorable and faithful service of more than twelve years:

Now, Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we bear testimony to the very pleasant relations which have always existed between the Judge of said Court and the members of the bar, as well as the officers of the Court, during his long period of service; and we desire to express our thanks to Judge Stuart for his uniform courtesy and for his just and considerate deportment towards the members of the Bar and the officers of the Court;

2. That we bear further testimony and express our appreciation of the rectitude, ability and value of the services of J. H. Stuart, as Judge of the said County Court, throughout his term of said office from the beginning thereof on the 1st day of January, 1892, down to the present time; and we desire to call especial attention to the courage and ability with which he dealt with cases in his Court for the suppression of the illicit sale of intoxicants, believing that he did more for the suppression of this nefarious traffic than any man who has yet been on the bench in this county.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be spread, with the consent of said Court, upon its order book, as a memorial of the affectionate esteem and high regard in which Judge Stuart is held by the members of this Bar, and that another copy thereof be delivered to him.

A Copy:

Teste: H. C. ALDERSON, Chairman.

A. S. HIGGINBOTHAM, Secretary."

"Ordered that County Court be now adjourned Sine Die.

J. H. STUART."



## CHAPTER V.

LAW ORDERS CIRCUIT COURT, DECEMBER, 1901, TO AUGUST, 1924.

1901

*December Term.* A. M. Vicars qualified to practice law in this Court.

1902

*April Term.* D. M. Easley and L. O. Anderson qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* M. O. Litz qualified to practice law in this Court.  
R. O. Crockett qualified to practice law in this Court.

1903

*April Term.* E. King Crockett, Sheriff of the county.

Wyndham Stokes and J. L. Parker qualified to practice law  
August Term, 1901.

*August Term.* W. W. Hughes qualified to practice law in this Court. Report of Board of Pensioners of the late war, pp. 2 and 10.

“At a meeting of the Bar of Tazewell county, on the 12th day of December, 1903.

The meeting was called to order by H. C. Alderson and upon motion H. C. Alderson was elected Chairman.

R. R. Henry, E. L. Greever and A. S. Higginbotham were appointed as a Committee to draft appropriate resolutions upon the retirement of the Hon. Robert C. Jackson as Judge of the Circuit Court of Tazewell county, who reported as follows:

Resolved: That we hereby testify to our high opinion of the character of Judge Jackson, both as a man and as a Judge, as we recognize his honesty and high integrity as a man and his clearness and learning as a lawyer.

Resolved further, that we consider his retirement from this Circuit as a loss to the bar and to the bench, and that our best wishes follow him to the new field of his labor.

Resolved Lastly, that these resolutions be spread upon the order book of this Court, and that a copy be transmitted by the Clerk to Judge Jackson.”

H. F. Peery and William Bandy qualified as deputies for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff of Tazewell county.

S. S. F. Harman, who was on the 3rd day of November, 1903, elected Sheriff of Tazewell county, appeared and qualified as such for a term of four years from January 1, 1904.

R. H. McGraw, who was elected at said election, Supervisor for Maiden Spring District, qualified as such.

F. Thompson, who was elected at said election, Supervisor for Jeffersonville District, qualified as such.

T. W. Hankins, who was elected at said election, a Constable for Maiden Spring District, qualified as such.

J. G. Gillespie, who was elected at said election, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District, qualified.

F. P. Rutherford, who was elected at said election Constable for Jeffersonville District, qualified.

E. C. McFarland was at said election, elected Constable for Clear Fork District, qualified as such.

Frank Pyott, T. H. Wingo, H. G. Peery, B. F. Riley and R. F. Cecil, who were elected at said election, Justices of the Peace, qualified as such.

W. H. Carbaugh, I. R. H. Stephenson and J. H. Nipper were elected at said election, Overseer of the Poor for their respective districts, qualified as such.

A. B. Neel, elected County Surveyor, qualified as such.

C. H. Steel qualified as Constable for Maiden Spring District, having been elected at said election.

G. P. McMullin, elected at said election, Supervisor for Clear Fork District, qualified.

H. P. Brittain, elected at said election, Treasurer of the county, qualified as such.

J. M. McCall qualified as Justice of the Peace.

John McGraw qualified as County Superintendent of the Poor of Tazewell county.

Joseph A. Crockett, who was elected at said election Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District, qualified.

George W. Bandy and M. R. Havens qualified as Justices of the Peace.

T. C. Bowen, who was elected at said election, Attorney for the Commonwealth, qualified as such.

1904

January 18th, Virginia: Tazewell Circuit Court, in Vacation.

"H. Bane Harman, Clerk of Tazewell Circuit Court, having departed this life, on motion of Joseph P. Harman, he is hereby appointed Clerk of said Court for the unexpired term of said H. Bane Harman."

C. B. Linkous, C. H. Steel, G. W. Harless and J. Ed. McMullin qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, Treasurer of Tazewell county.

*February Term.* Hon W. J. Henson, Judge, Presiding.

T. M. Bourne and C. H. Greever appointed Justices of the Peace.

J. P. Harman qualified as Deputy for T. E. George, Clerk of the Courts.

W. F. Graham qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

The Court appointed T. A. Lynch, Chapman H. Peery and C. P. Greever the Electoral Board of this county and appointed C. R. Brown, who, together with the Commonwealth's Attorney and Superintendent of Schools, shall constitute the School Trustee Electoral Board of this county.

Ten applicants granted licenses to sell liquor at Pocahontas, Va.

*May Term.* Liquor license granted in Pocahontas.

L. D. Hankins qualified as Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

James W. Harman granted a certificate on which to base his application for license to practice law.

H. N. Bell qualified to practice law in this Court.

C. P. Williams and John C. Meadows qualified as Justices of the Peace.

Report of the Board of Pension Commissioners filed, pp. 88, 89.

Thomas Harrison appointed Constable of Maiden Spring District.

*August Term.* Jno. M. Anderson qualified to practice law in this Court.

James W. Harman qualified to practice law in this Court.

C. O. McCall qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*November Term.* J. R. Gildersleeve, Jr., qualified a County Surveyor.



W. C. Williams, E. King Crockett and G. W. Doak were appointed assessors of lands in the county.

Thomas Harrison and Arch Harrison qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

Seventeen applicants granted licenses to sell liquor in Pocahontas.

T. S. J. Murray qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Jno. T. Barnes qualified as Justice of the Peace.

C. B. Perdue qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

#### 1905

*May Term.* Liquor licenses granted in Pocahontas.

Isaac E. Chapman, Commissioner of Accounts for this county, having departed this life, E. L. Greever is appointed as such Commissioner.

E. B. Scott appointed Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District to fill the unexpired term of T. W. Hankins, deceased, and L. D. Hankins was appointed his assistant.

Board of Pension Commissioners filed a list of pensioners. See pages 250 to 252.

*August Term.* A local option election ordered to be held in the town of Pocahontas to take sense of the qualified voters upon the granting of liquor license in said town, said election to be held on December 12, 1905. This order was made on the motion of S. W. Moore, W. M. Minter and James S. Browning.

*October 9th. Special Term.* T. E. George, who was elected Clerk of the Courts of this county at the election held on November 7, 1905, qualified as such.

#### 1906

*February Term.* R. K. Morton qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. R. L. Stinson and A. E. Moore qualified as Justices of the Peace.

G. S. Gildersleeve qualified as Deputy Surveyor of county.

Grat F. Mustard qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

J. P. Harman qualified as Deputy Clerk of the Courts.

C. B. Smith qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Liquor license granted in Pocahontas.

N. B. Cacy qualified as Justice of the Peace.

D. J. Taylor qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Board of Pension Commissioners report filed. See p. 417.

Jas. S. Kahle, Cyrus Smithdeal and C. C. Burns qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* P. B. Smith qualified to practice law in this Court.

S. M. Graham appointed Clerk of Tazewell County to fill the said office, made vacant by the death of T. E. George, for the unexpired term of the said T. E. George.

Wholesale license to sell Malt liquor granted to several applicants in the town of Pocahontas.

1907

## TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF JUDGE JOHN H. FULTON,

AT MEETING OF THE BAR HELD MARCH 4, 1907.

"The Judge of the Court, and the members of the Bar of Tazewell county, desire the following tribute to the memory of the late Judge John H. Fulton to be spread on record:

Judge Fulton occupied the position of Circuit Court Judge of this county from January, 1870, to May, 1887, when he resigned. He was really charged with blazing the way for a new order of things and of moulding the jurisprudence of this State to fit the Underwood Constitution, and the changes incident to the result of the War Between the States and reconstruction. This was a task for no ordinary mind; but we can attest that Judge Fulton, though comparatively young and inexperienced when he entered upon these arduous and responsible duties, measured fully up to the requirements; readily commanding the respect and love of the bar and people, prompt, polite and courteous in his official duties—impartial and careful in his judgment, from which appeals were rarely taken, and which were more rarely reversed.

When he resigned his office to engage in the practice of law, he declared that he would, and he did, regularly attend the Courts of this county. He succeeded rapidly here, as elsewhere, in acquiring a large law practice, involving important cases, something that is seldom accomplished so quickly by one occupying the bench as long as Judge Fulton did. He carried the Judicial faculty into his practice as a lawyer and advocate, being zealous and alert, but



never incautious, always keeping in mind that the principles of the Jurisprudence, which he invoked for the cause of his clients, were founded upon the high principles of moral philosophy and abstract right and justice. He was open, frank and honest in all his engagements at the bar; but he mastered the law and the facts of his causes and when convinced that he was in the right he exhibited great force and power, courage and persistence.

Being seriously and painfully maimed as a volunteer in the War Between the States, in consequence of which he constantly leaned himself upon his crutches, we never failed to remember that he had been a brave soldier and officer in the Confederate Army.

The "Lost Cause" was always dear to him, and he was alert as a veteran in seeing justice done in the history of the cause. Expressing our estimate of Judge Fulton, we do not hesitate to declare that he deserves to be ranked as one of the greatest lawyers and jurists of the State, and that throughout his life he faithfully discharged his duty to the State, to his clients, his family and his friends. It is further resolved that a copy hereof attested by the Judge of the Court be sent to the family and that copies be handed the Tazewell Republican, Clinch Valley News and the Pocahontas Headlight for publication."

#### RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF T. E. GEORGE, CLERK,

AT MEETING OF THE BAR HELD MARCH 4, 1907.

"On this day there was held in open Court a meeting of the members of the Tazewell Bar and the officers of the Court, and the Judge ordered that the business of the Court be suspended, as a token of respect for the memory of Thomas Edwin George, the late Clerk of this county and Court, who died on the fourth day of January last, in his fifty-seventh year. The following resolution having been read and adopted, the Judge directed that the same be spread upon the Order Book of the Court.

#### RESOLUTION:

In the death of T. E. George, this Court has lost a faithful, experienced and useful officer; one who has served the people of this county, in the capacity of Clerk, for many years. Throughout his long career as a trusted public servant, we are able to testify



that we know of no blot upon his official record, and not even a suspicion against his integrity.

In his death, the Judge of the Court, the members of the Tazewell Bar and the officers of the Court, one and all, have lost from our midst a warm-hearted and noble-souled man, who was our friend and companion.

We can further testify that the citizens of this county have lost a beloved public servant, one who was their common friend and counselor, and to whom all classes and conditions were in the habit of going for help and advice. The life of such a man cannot be in vain, but in truth, is bound to have served a good purpose. From the standpoint of the public, we believe that the interests of our county have been promoted by his unselfish, courageous and vigilant efforts on behalf of an honest and conservative administration of county affairs. From a personal standpoint, we feel that we are wiser and better from having known him.

There is another and more painful loss, the loss suffered by his family. Our hearts are full of sympathy for those who were nearest and dearest to him. We know that his family has lost a devoted and loving husband and father.

He was indulgent and thoughtful to the fullest extent. Ed. George still lives in the hearts of his fellowmen, and he has left behind him a good record and honored name, which will not soon be forgotten, but will endure and prove a comfort and help to each member of his family throughout life.

It is further resolved that four copies hereof, attested by the Judge of the Court, be sent to Mrs. Julia B. George and family, and that copies be handed to the Tazewell Republican, Clinch Valley News and Pocahontas Headlight for publication."

*May Term.* John Roberts, Z. W. Crockett and C. H. Patterson qualified to practice law in this Court.

G. P. Crockett qualified to practice law in this Court.

F. P. Rutherford and C. H. Steel qualified as Deputy Sheriffs.

Board of Pension Commissioners file its report, p. 126-7.

Samuel L. Maxey appointed a Constable.

W. O. Williams qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

W. A. Daugherty qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* The Local Option election heretofore held in the town of Pocahontas was annulled by order of the Circuit Court on the grounds that it had been held within thirty days of Special election for Congressman to succeed the late Campbell Slemph and to serve out his unexpired term in Congress. A petition was filed by S. W. Moore, James S. Browning and sixty-five other petitioners of the Town of Pocahontas, praying that another Local Option election on the question of granting liquor license be held in said town. The election was ordered to be held on the 19th day of December, 1907.

*November Term.* S. S. F. Harman, who was elected Sheriff of the county on the 5th day of November, 1907, qualified as such.

Thomas Harrison and S. H. Wingo, who were elected Constables of their respective districts at said election, qualified as such.

W. H. Carbaugh elected Overseer of the Poor at said election, qualified.

John W. Gillespie, P. S. Ellis, A. V. Harman and P. P. Dillon, who were elected Justices of the Peace at said election, qualified.

William J. Lester, W. R. L. Stinson and George C. Bailey, elected Justices of the Peace at said election, qualified as such.

William Bandy qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

John F. McGraw qualified as Superintendent of the Poor.

John R. Gildersleeve, Jr., qualified as County Surveyor.

T. M. Bourne, W. F. McGuire and C. H. Greever appointed Justices of the Peace.

H. P. Brittain, having been elected County Treasurer at said election, qualified as such.

T. M. Bourne, J. G. Gillespie and H. G. Peery elected Justices of the Peace at said election, qualified.

F. Thompson, elected Supervisor at said election, qualified.

R. O. Crockett, elected Attorney for the Commonwealth at said election, qualified as such.

B. M. Newman qualified Justice of the Peace, elected.

F. P. Rutherford qualified as Constable, having been elected.

H. R. Stowers qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue.

W. F. McGuire qualified as Justice of the Peace.

T. L. Francis qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue.

E. G. Wagner qualified as Supervisor of Clear Fork District.

Chapman H. Peery qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

J. H. Nipper elected Overseer of the Poor for Maiden Spring District.

J. E. Bandy and Charles Stump qualified as deputies for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

I. R. H. Stephenson qualified as Overseer of the Poor.

### 1908

*February Term.* Walter Rippey convicted and sentenced to be hanged on Friday the 27th day of March, 1908.

Samuel W. Williams, Jr., qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. C. L. Richmond qualified to practice law in this Court.

J. W. McNeil qualified as assistant to T. L. Francis, Commissioner of the Revenue for Jeffersonville District.

Arch Harrison qualified as Constable.

Fifteen applicants granted licenses to retail liquor in Pocahontas with permission granted by the Town Council of said town.

*April Term.* G. P. McMullin qualified as Assistant Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District on motion of H. R. Stowers, Commissioner.

L. J. Holland qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. G. Peery qualified as Justice of the Peace.

A report of the Confederate Pension Board giving a list of deceased pensioners. See page 320. A list of disabled pensioners recorded. See p. 327-8 Order Book.

O. E. St. Clair qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* Harry Gross qualified as assistant to H. R. Stowers, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

License to sell liquor granted at Pocahontas until April 30, 1909.

N. B. Cacy and W. O. Williams qualified as Justices of the Peace.

James P. Francis qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. A. Bowen qualified to practice law in this Court.

G. W. Bandy qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*December Term.* B. E. Steel qualified to practice law in this Court.



Charles H. Harman, J. G. Gillespie and R. P. Harman qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

J. H. Beavers qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

C. T. Peery qualified as Justice of the Peace.

### 1909

*February Term.* Hon. Fulton Kegley, Judge, Presiding. (This is Judge Kegley's first term.)

J. D. Logan qualified to practice law in this Court.

G. B. Fuller qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Fifteen applicants granted license to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas until April 30, 1910.

William H. May qualified as deputy for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

A. S. Waldron and F. P. Rutherford qualified as assistants to T. L. Francis, Commissioner of the Revenue.

*May Term.* W. B. Snidow qualified to practice law in this Court.

C. A. Wagner qualified as Supervisor of Clear Fork District in the place of E. A. Wagner, resigned.

*November Term.* L. Harrison qualified as Constable.

W. E. Thompson, W. A. Thompson and R. S. Moss appointed to assess the value of all the lands in the county.

### 1910

*February Term.* D. M. Easley qualified to practice law in this Court.

Thirteen applicants granted license to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas.

*May Term.* Arch Harrison appointed a Constable.

L. D. Bay appointed a Constable.

A. W. Landon qualified as Justice of the Peace in the place of P. P. Dillon, deceased.

Board of Pension Commissioners filed a list of those entitled to pensions. See p. 230 Order Book.

*November Term.* Samuel L. Adams qualified to practice law in this Court.

Geo. A. Frick qualified to practice law in this Court.

J. N. Harman, Jr., qualified to practice law in this Court.

C. R. Williams qualified as Surveyor.

W. R. Dodd qualified to practice law in this Court.

J. K. Routh qualified to practice law in this Court.

Marshall P. McCormick qualified to practice law in this Court.

Archer "Fleger" (Phlegger) qualified to practice law in this Court.

B. W. Stras, Jr., qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. R. Hawthorne qualified to practice law in this Court.

#### 1911

*February Term.* Fourteen applicants granted licenses to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas.

B. B. Greever appointed a Justice of the Peace.

H. Claude Pobst appointed Bail Commissioner of the County and also a Commissioner in Chancery.

*May Term.* Board of Pensioners filed a list of persons entitled to pensions. See p. 394 Order Book.

*August Term.* Russell Ritz and John Kee qualified to practice law in this Court.

Raven voting precinct formed.

A. G. Hall qualified as Constable.

November 20th, Geo. W. Patton, who was elected Justice of the Peace, qualified as such in Jeffersonville District.

W. W. Linkous qualified as Justice of the Peace.

*November Term.* J. F. Beavers and J. H. Beavers qualified as Justices of the Peace.

J. G. Gillespie qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

L. D. Boyd and Boss Brown qualified as Constables.

John F. McGraw qualified as Superintendent of the Poor of the county.

Jno. R. Gildersleeve qualified as County Surveyor.

W. F. McGuire qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

H. P. Brittain, who was elected on the 7th day of November, 1911, Treasurer of Tazewell county, qualified as such.

S. S. F. Harman, elected Sheriff at said election, qualified as such.

A. S. Peery qualified as Justice of the Peace.

David C. Lowe, who was elected at said election as Supervisor of Maiden Spring District, qualified.

James W. Harman, elected on November 7, 1911, Attorney for the Commonwealth of Tazewell county, qualified as such.

James B. Altizer qualified as Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

Wm. Bandy qualified as deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

C. W. Greever elected at said election, Clerk of the county, qualified as such.

D. B. Daniel elected at said election, Supervisor of Jeffersonville District, qualified.

T. M. Greever qualified as deputy for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

Thomas B. Gay qualified to practice law in this Court.

G. C. Bailey qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Geo. R. Thomas qualified as Justice of the Peace.

S. L. Maxey qualified as Constable.

C. P. Greever appointed Justice of the Peace and D. A. Rolen appointed Constable.

Geo. B. Fuller qualified as Deputy Sheriff and L. Harrison as Constable.

McTeer Saunders qualified as Justice of the Peace for a term of four years.

C. A. Wagner qualified as Supervisor of Clear Fork District.

T. E. McCall qualified as Commissioner of Revenue for Jeffersonville District for a term of four years.

John W. Gillespie qualified Justice of the Peace.

A. W. Landon qualified as Justice of the Peace.

H. S. Surface qualified as deputy for C. W. Greever, Clerk of the Courts of the county.

## 1912

*February Term.* S. M. Graham qualified as Deputy Clerk.

Thomas Harrison and P. S. Ellis qualified as Justices of the Peace.



Hon. Fulton Kegley recommissioned by Governor Wm. Hodges Mann, Judge of the Circuit Court of Tazewell county (22nd Judicial District) for the term of eight years, beginning February 1, 1912.

Eleven applicants granted license to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas.

F. P. Rutherford qualified as Assistant Commissioner of Revenue.

J. S. Gillespie appointed Assistant Commissioner of Revenue for Clear Fork District.

*May Term.* William G. Werth and C. C. Payne granted certificates on which to apply for license to practice law.

John W. Owens appointed Assistant Commissioner of Revenue.

C. H. Greever and T. M. Bourne appointed Justices of the Peace.

B. W. Jewell appointed Justice of the Peace and S. W. Marrs appointed Constable.

*July Special Term*—P. 127.

A. H. Baldwin qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

G. B. Johnson qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* W. A. Ayers and A. K. Morrisson qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* John R. Dillard qualified to practice law in this Court.

T. S. J. Murray qualified as Justice of the Peace.

M. M. Long qualified to practice law in this Court.

Resolutions on H. C. Alderson's death, pp. 237-8.

“At a meeting of the Bar of Tazewell county, held at the Court-house thereof on the 14th day of December, 1912, there were present Hon. Fulton Kegley, Judge of the Circuit Court of the said county, and the following named members of said bar: R. R. Henry, S. C. Graham, J. W. Chapman, S. M. B. Coulling, J. N. Harman, Sr., J. W. Hicks, J. W. Harman, H. Claude Pobst, Barnes Gillespie, T. J. Muncy, W. H. Werth, J. Powell Royall, E. L. Greever, Hugh R. Hawthorne, V. L. Sexton, S. D. May, A. P. Gillespie, R. O. Crockett, T. C. Bowen, W. B. Spratt, W. M. Minter, C. S. Minter, H. A. Bowen, John Roberts, A. S. Higginbotham, G. W. St. Clair, and C. W. Greever, Clerk of said Court, S. S. F. Har-

man, Sheriff of Tazewell county, and H. P. Brittain, Treasurer of Tazewell county. The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas Death, that dread messenger which lays its inexorable hand on all at its own appointed time which may not be deferred, has again invaded our ranks and has taken away from us our esteemed and valued and beloved associate, Henry C. Alderson; It is resolved by the Bar of Tazewell county, now here assembled, to express our grief and to pay just and fitting tribute to his memory;

That in his death we deplore the loss of a sincere and genial friend and companion, an able, upright and courteous member of our honored profession, and that the community has been bereft of a kind, warm-hearted, hospitable, charitable and generous citizen and neighbor; and it is further:

Resolved that this resolution be spread upon the record of the Tazewell Circuit Court, and be published in the newspapers of this county and that a copy thereof be engrossed on parchment and signed by the foregoing named members of the Bar and said officers, and be conveyed to his widow, and that copies hereof be furnished the other members of his family."

### 1913

*February Term.* C. A. McGuire qualified as Deputy Treasurer. G. P. McMullin qualified as Assistant Commissioner of Revenue.

Eleven applicants granted license to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas on recommendation of the town council of said town.

*May Term.* George W. Howard qualified to practice law in this Court.

Hugh Woods qualified to practice law in this Court.

Resolutions on death of S. D. May, p. 327.

"To the Honorable Fulton Kegley, Judge of the Circuit Court of Tazewell county:

We, the members of the Bar of this county, wish to place on the records of this Court an appreciation of Samuel Davidson May, who departed this life on the 11th day of April, 1913.

There has been no man among us who was more universally beloved and respected than Mr. May, not only by his brother lawyers, but by the people in general. He was a noble, gentle-hearted man, modest yet courageous in his convictions; pure in moral



character; a man of refined tastes and ideal in his domestic habits and life. As a lawyer he was studious, faithful, honorable and efficient. Knowing that he was in the prime of life and without dreaming of his afflictions, his death was truly a shock to us, which we can scarcely realize.

We respectfully request you to join us in this humble but sincere tribute to our beloved comrade, and that you place it on record with the direction that members of his family be furnished by the Clerk of this Court with copies of this order."

*November Term.* Judge N. H. Hairston and R. H. Willis qualified to practice law in this Court.

C. C. Payne qualified to practice law in this Court.

James McDowell and Geo. W. Mays qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

#### 1914

*February Term.* A. C. Buchanan granted a certificate on which to apply for license to practice law.

Geo. W. Gillespie, Jr., qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Twelve applicants granted licenses to sell liquor in the town of Pocahontas.

*May Term.* License granted to sell liquor in town of Pocahontas.

J. L. Hawley, A. F. Kingdon and H. B. Lee qualified to practice law in this Court.

Luther G. Scott and H. E. DeJarnett qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term. "Special".* A. C. Buchanan qualified to practice law in this Court.

A. G. Fox qualified to practice law in this Court.

*August Term.* Jonathan Boyd qualified as Justice of the Peace.

Liquor licenses granted in the town of Pocahontas.

Robert Davis qualified as Constable.

*November Term.* John W. McCall qualified as Assessor of Lands for Clear Fork Magisterial District; W. E. Thompson for Maiden Spring District and Thomas L. Francis for Jeffersonville District.

#### 1915

*February Term.* Robert Tomlison (colored) qualified to practice law in this Court.



W. C. Witten appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

*April Special Term.* T. N. Altiser appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue.

*May Special Term.* J. M. Pruett and A. V. Sproles appointed Deputy Commissioners of Revenue for Clear Fork District.

Huffard C. Moore appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

R. H. Ireson appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue.

*August Term.* D. J. F. Strother qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. M. Minter, Jr., qualified to practice law in this Court.

John H. McGuire appointed a Justice of the Peace.

*November Special Term.* John F. McGraw qualified as Superintendent of the Poor.

Thomas Harrison elected a Justice of the Peace on November 2, 1915, qualified.

A. W. Landon elected at said election a Justice of the Peace, qualified.

J. H. Nipper elected at said election a Justice of the Peace, qualified.

E. King Crockett elected Supervisor of Clear Fork District.

November 27th S. S. F. Harman qualified as Sheriff of the county, having been elected at said election.

J. B. Altizer elected at said election, Commissioner of Revenue.

J. G. Gillespie elected Commissioner of Revenue.

J. B. Mutter elected Justice of the Peace.

W. L. C. Burke elected Supervisor.

Boss Brown elected Constable.

L. D. Boyd appointed Justice of the Peace.

Geo. W. Gillespie appointed Justice of the Peace.

James Bandy qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

S. M. B. Coulling, Jr., granted certificate on which to apply for license to practice law.

James W. Harman, elected November 2, 1915, qualified as Attorney for the Commonwealth.

H. P. Brittain elected Treasurer at said election, qualified.

Geo. F. Rosenbaum qualified as Deputy Sheriff, term commencing January 1, 1916.

B. M. Newman elected Justice of the Peace, qualified.

J. R. Gildersleeve, Jr., appointed County Surveyor.

Joseph H. Beavers appointed Deputy Sheriff.

E. P. Rutherford elected Commissioner of Revenue at said election, qualified.

J. F. Beavers appointed and qualified as Justice of the Peace.

A. C. Boothe qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

C. H. Steel, James McDowell and C. H. McGuire qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer, for the term beginning January 1, 1916.

H. C. Moore appointed Deputy Sheriff.

C. N. Petty qualified as deputy for C. W. Greever, Clerk.

### 1916

*February Term.* J. H. McGuire and McTeer Saunders appointed Justices of the Peace.

A. J. May appointed Deputy Commissioner of Revenue.

C. R. Brown, Jr., granted certificate on which to apply for license to practice law.

*May Special Term.* George W. Thompson appointed a Justice of the Peace.

F. H. Cox and James McDowell (McDonald) appointed Deputy Commissioner of Revenue.

R. H. Ireson, W. W. Yost and John Sanders appointed Deputy Commissioners of the Revenue.

*August Term.* C. R. Brown, Jr., qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* J. W. McNeil appointed Constable.

R. C. Cofer qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

### 1917

*February Term.* E. L. Greever resigned as Commissioner of Accounts and A. C. Buchanan was appointed in his place.

C. M. Wagner appointed Deputy Treasurer and as Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue.

*May Special Term.* James Deaton appointed Constable.

On motion of J. R. Gildersleeve, County Surveyor, F. H. Cox is appointed his deputy.

*August Term.* Nye Britts qualified to practice law in this Court.

John B. Peery qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* H. H. Rosenbaum appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Callie G. Petty appointed Deputy Clerk.

R. J. Dawson appointed Constable.

1918

*February Term.* K. C. Patty qualified to practice law in this Court.

Geo. W. Gillespie, Jr., appointed Deputy Treasurer.

P. R. Tyree appointed Deputy Sheriff.

H. L. Yowell appointed Deputy Commissioner of Revenue.

S. E. McMullin qualified Deputy Treasurer.

1919

*February Term.* J. A. Wade qualified as Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue for J. G. Gillespie.

John H. Whitley, a member of the Pension Board of Tazewell county, having died, the Court doth appoint A. St. Clair, A. J. Steele and Thomas Hankins, who shall constitute the Board.

A. C. Buchanan appointed Bail Commissioner.

William Claytor, A. J. May and C. B. Linkous appointed Assistant Commissioners of the Revenue.

*May Term.* A. C. Buchanan qualified as Commissioner of Accounts, in the place of H. Claude Pobst, resigned.

Certain persons entitled to pensions. See p. 78.

*August Term.* N. Clarence Smith qualified to practice law in this Court.

*November Term.* The following officers qualified: L. D. Boyd elected a Justice of the Peace at the election held November 4, 1919.

J. D. Peery as Supervisor, having been elected as such at said election.

A. S. Peery elected a Justice at said election.

C. J. McGlothlin as Constable.

Frank Beavers elected a Justice of the Peace.

H. L. Spratt elected Attorney for the Commonwealth.

D. C. Lowe elected Supervisor.

J. B. Mutter elected Justice of the Peace.

S. S. F. Harman elected as Sheriff.



J. G. Gillespie elected Commissioner of the Revenue.

S. G. Whitt elected a Justice of the Peace.

John W. Whitt elected a Commissioner of the Revenue.

Geo. F. Rosenbaum elected Supervisor.

B. M. Newman elected a Justice of the Peace.

H. S. Surface elected Clerk of the county.

Wm. Bandy as Deputy Sheriff.

Sam Privit as Deputy Sheriff.

H. P. Brittain elected County Treasurer.

E. W. Bowling elected Constable.

Wm. E. Thompson, James Ed. Peery and R. S. Moss appointed

Assessors of Land for the county.

L. D. Boyd appointed a Justice of the Peace.

R. F. Asberry appointed Justice of the Peace.

A. C. Boothe qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

H. S. Rosenbaum qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Samuel M. Graham qualified as Deputy Clerk.

D. C. Lowe qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

Robert G. Gillespie qualified as Deputy Treasurer, and as Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue.

"It being made to appear to the Court that John Short, a resident of Raven, Tazewell County, Virginia, was killed in action in France, on or about October 15, 1918 (he being a private in Company "K", 47th Infantry, U. S. A.), and that he left surviving him three infant children, to-wit, Clarence Short, eleven years of age; Ernest Short, five years of age, and Arch Short, three years of age, being the children of Cora Short (formerly Cora Simmons), and that said Cora Short died a short time after the death of her said husband. . . . On motion of Maggie Lawson, paternal aunt of said three children, she is appointed their guardian." See p. 150.

S. D. Claypool appointed a Justice of the Peace.

"Commonwealth of Virginia:

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:

Know ye that our Governor, having been fully notified of the election by the General Assembly of Fulton Kegley, as Judge of the twenty-second Judicial Circuit for the term of eight years, com-

mencing the first day of February, 1920, doth hereby commission him as Judge as aforesaid."

Signed WESTMORELAND DAVIS, GOVERNOR.

C. H. Steele qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

McTeer Saunders qualified as a Justice of the Peace.

E. K. Crockett appointed Assessor of Lands for Clear Fork District.

George W. Gillespie, Jr., qualified as Justice of the Peace.

H. L. Yowell qualified as Deputy Treasurer.

Chapman H. Peery qualified as deputy for Jno. W. Whitt. Commissioner of the Revenue.

M. B. Hammitt and J. A. Wade qualified as deputies for J. G. Gillespie, Commissioner of the Revenue.

C. M. Wagner and Mustard Pruett qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

R. W. Bobbitt, R. H. Ireson, J. P. Neel and W. W. Yost qualified as deputies for F. P. Rutherford, Commissioner of Revenue.

W. G. Moss and C. A. McGuire qualified as deputies for H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer.

#### 1920

*May Term.* Report of Board of Pension Commissioners, containing list of pensioners. See p. 182 Order Book.

Silas E. Clay appointed Deputy Commissioner of Revenue on motion of John W. Whitt, Commissioner of Revenue.

June 20, 1920. L. Rutherford, M. B. Hammitt, F. E. Wagner, H. M. Morris and F. D. Padberry qualified as deputies for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

C. T. Patton qualified as Justice of the Peace in the place of George W. Patton, his father, deceased.

E. G. Harman qualified as deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff. July 26, 1920.

*August Term.* C. E. Zech appointed Justice of the Peace.

Waller R. Staples qualified to practice law in this Court.

A pensioner certified by the Pension Board. See p. 251 Order Book.

Frank H. Cox appointed County Surveyor.

*November Term.* Three pensioners certified by Board of Pensions. See page 264 Order Book.

Miss Annie Howe Surface qualified as Deputy Clerk.

A. T. Griffith and S. S. Lambeth, Jr., qualified to practice law in this Court.

R. C. Osborne appointed a Deputy Sheriff.

#### 1921

*February Term.* H. M. Tanner qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. G. Moss appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue.

*March Term.* Add Harman appointed County Policeman.

*May Term.* Nye Britts appointed Bail Commissioner in the place of A. C. Buchanan, resigned.

W. W. Arrowood qualified as Probation Officer.

*August Term.* S. E. Brooks, a Minister of the Free Will Baptist Church, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

G. M. Lester, a Minister of the M. E. Church South, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

J. B. Johnson, a Minister of the Primitive Baptist Church, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

C. W. Greever qualified as Mayor of the town of Tazewell.

*September Term.* A. M. Mutter, H. D. Bryant, Luther Gillespie and T. W. Ireson, were appointed Special Policemen for Tazewell county.

F. J. Buchanan appointed a Special Policeman for the county.

*November Term.* C. R. Jones, a Minister of the M. E. Church South, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Rev. J. O. Alderman, a Minister of the Baptist Church, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Rev. K. N. Magrill, Rabbi of Congregation Havas Heccseed of the Hebrew Religion located at Pocahontas, Virginia, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

D. N. Mathews appointed a Special County Policeman for Tazewell county.

#### 1922

*February Term.* Rev. Jesse H. Kern, a Minister of the M. E. Church South, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

C. W. Merrill qualified to practice law in this Court.

*May Term.* Appointed Crockett Lowe and W. L. Catron Special County Policemen.

Rex Gent and John Castle appointed Special County Policemen.



Rev. M. O. Alexander, a Minister of the Baptist Church qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Geo. M. Warren qualified to practice law in this Court.

Accepted the resignation of A. S. Peery, a Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork Magisterial District.

A. V. Harman appointed as Delinquent Capitation Tax Collector.

James W. Jones, Jr., appointed a Justice of the Peace for Tazewell county.

John S. Thompson appointed additional Constable, on motion of E. W. Bowling, Constable.

*August Term.* Col. J. B. Boyer appointed Judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court for the County of Tazewell for a term of six years. This is the first appointment made under Chapter 483, Acts of Assembly, 1922.

W. J. Dougherty qualified to practice law in this court.

Henry E. Shamblin appointed a member of the Special Police Force of the county.

A. J. Lubliner qualified to practice law in this Court.

T. H. Ruble qualified as Deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

A. H. Eubank, a Minister of the Christian Church, was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

J. D. Gillenwaters appointed Special County Policeman.

Carlyle T. Reese appointed a Justice of the Peace.

Everett Milton Johnson qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. C. Moore appointed Deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Tazewell county, in vacation on 9th day of October, 1922: "In accordance with the provisions of section 12, of Chapter 105, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, 1922, the Judge of this Court, in vacation doth hereby appoint J. B. Crabtree, M. Cassell, James Spracher, Geo. W. St. Clair, Rev. Charles R. Brown, Mrs. W. B. Steele and Mrs. H. G. McCall as the County Board of Public Welfare for Tazewell county."

*November Term.* T. P. Wilson qualified to practice law in this Court.

H. C. Collins appointed Special County Policeman.

C. D. Harman appointed Deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

Rev. E. L. Baker, a Minister of the Lutheran Church, qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

## LAW ORDER BOOK No. 13.

1923

In Vacation. Hon. Fulton Kegley, Judge.

January 5th. C. D. Harman qualified as Deputy Sheriff.

January 5th. Rev. E. L. Baker of the "United Lutheran Church," authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

January 22d. S. J. Thompson and E. King Crockett appointed "Jury Commissioners."

*February Term.* C. J. McGlothlin resigned as Constable.

Rev. L. Epperson, a Minister of the Baptist Church, authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

John S. Horton appointed Constable in the place of Charles J. McGlothlin, resigned.

L. P. Summers and Allen I. Harless qualified to practice law in this Court.

W. E. Pybass appointed Deputy for H. P. Brittain, Treasurer of Tazewell county.

Rev. John B. Szeghy, a Minister of "The Reformed Church of the United States" qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Rev. W. A. McKee qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

C. T. Rees, a Justice of the Peace was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

In Vacation.

*April 6th.* Gus Billips qualified as deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff of Tazewell county.

*April 10th.* H. C. Tabor and R. L. Gillespie qualified as deputies for J. G. Gillespie, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

## LAW ORDER BOOK No. 14.

*April Term.* E. G. Keesee and C. J. McGlothlin appointed deputies for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff of Tazewell county.

J. R. Lenahan qualified to practice Law in this Court.

T. V. Ramey of Falls Mills, appointed a Justice of the Peace.

R. R. Smith appointed member of the Special Police Force of this county.

*August Term.* S. H. Bond qualified to practice Law in this Court.

W. N. Bane appointed on the Special Police Force of the county.

A. M. Mahood of Princeton, W. Va., qualified to practice Law in this Court.

H. L. Spence and J. D. Day appointed on Special Police Force of the county .

J. W. Bryant appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Marco Warner admitted to privilege of citizenship.

J. D. Perkins qualified to practice Law in this Court.

*November Term.* C. G. Poe, appointed on the Special Police Force of the county.

Rev. Ernest E. Hemmings qualified to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

At the election for County and District Officers held on the 6th day of November, 1923, the following County and District Officers were elected and qualified at this term of Court:

S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff, with William Bandy, Deputy Sheriff; and said Sheriff appointed other deputies as follows: C. J. McGlothlin, M. L. Gillespie, M. B. Hammit, Elbert Mustard, Robert Wallace, Thomas Cooper, William R. Watson, L. Rutherford, H. N. Morris, A. V. Sproles, C. D. Harman, A. C. Booth, C. K. Wimmer, and W. M. Ratliff.

H. P. Brittain, County Treasurer, who appointed the following deputies: J. B. Wilson, W. E. Pybass, W. G. Moss, C. A. McGuire, Barnes Moore, C. H. Steele, C. K. Wimmer, V. R. Moss and Earl F. Stowers.

J. Powell Royall, Attorney for the Commonwealth.

Frank T. St. Clair, John I. DeBoard and A. R. Beavers, Board of Supervisors.

Marvin H. McGuire, Commissioner of the Revenue for Maiden Spring District.

C. W. Greever, Commissioner of the Revenue for the Jeffersonville District, who appointed R. W. Whitman, his deputy.

J. Grat Gillespie, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

J. W. Hudgins, Constable, Clear Fork District.

Justices of the Peace: James F. Galloway, G. W. Jones, J. B. Mutter, J. T. Peck, B. M. Newman, L. D. Boyd, C. T. Rees.



C. E. Zech appointed Justice of the Peace.

John H. Peery, appointed Superintendent of the County Farm.

H. E. Shamblin and G. C. Shamblin appointed on the Special County Police Force.

In Vacation.

*November 21st.* "On motion of J. B. Boyer, Judge of the Juvenile Court of Tazewell County, Virginia, the Judge of this Court doth hereby appoint J. N. Harman, a substitute Justice of said Juvenile Court to act as such in case of the absence or disability of the said J. B. Boyer."

B. C. Neel appointed Deputy Sheriff.

1924

*January 25th.* Appointed M. B. Hammit, J. A. Wade and H. C. Tabor Deputy Commissioners, on recommendation of J. Grat Gillespie, Commissioner of the Revenue for Clear Fork District.

"Upon the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell county, the Court doth appoint W. J. Gillespie, and W. B. F. White, Members of the Board of Road Commissioners for Maiden Spring Magisterial District, and H. G. McCall and A. G. Russell, Jr. for Jeffersonville District; and C. M. Wagner and H. R. Stowers for Clear Fork District."

In accordance with Section 5986 of the Code of Virginia of 1919, etc., the Judge of this Court appointed K. D. R. Harman and E. King Crockett as Jury Commissioners.

Cal Houchins and John S. Thompson appointed deputies for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff for the term beginning January 1, 1924.

S. G. Whitt of Bandy, Va., appointed Justice of the Peace.

McTeer Sanders reappointed Justice of the Peace in Clear Fork District.

In Vacation.

*March 19th.* Gus Billips appointed Deputy Sheriff for the term beginning January 1, 1924.

*April Term.* W. H. Taylor, a Minister of the Christian Church, authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Andrew Abboge and Igrea J. Sales, admitted to the rights of citizenship.

John I. Hilt appointed a Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue for C. W. Greever, Commissioner.

F. P. Rutherford appointed Constable in Jeffersonville District in the place of John S. Thompson, resigned.

*May 15th.* Robert H. Ireson, appointed a deputy for C. W. Greever, Commissioner of the Revenue, Jeffersonville District.

*May 26th.* J. S. Stanley appointed Deputy Sheriff for the term beginning January 1, 1924.

A. S. Hudgins appointed Additional Constable in Clear Fork District.

Rev. Walter M. Dean of the M. E. Church, South, was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

*August Term.* Hon. Fulton Kegly, Judge. Order Book No. 14.

Bane VanDyke qualified as deputy for S. S. F. Harman, Sheriff.

Rev. Charles A. Wagner, a Minister of the M. E. Church, South, was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

James O'Neil was admitted a citizen of the United States.

## CHAPTER VI

### WILLS FROM 1853 TO 1924 SHOWING GENEALOGIES OF TAZEWELL FAMILIES.

PETER DILLS. Will probated February, 1853. Will Book 3, p. 91. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary; to his sons, Peter H., Henry W., and James R.; to his sons-in-law, Joseph T. Hix and James Q. Kendrick; to his daughter-in-law, Margaret Johnson.

BUSE HARMAN. Will probated March, 1853. Will Book No. 3, p. 92. Devises his property to his wife Nancy; to Daniel H. Gillespie and Louemma, his wife. All slaves are to be freed at the death of his wife.

WILLIAM VANCE. Will probated June, 1853. Will Book No. 3, p. 94. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy; to his sons, Harvey, John and Howard; to his daughters, Mary Helton, Sally Davis, Susannah, Rhinda, Lucinda and Rody Vance.

MILTON W. THOMPSON. Will probated July, 1853. Will Book 3, p. 95. Devises his property as follows: To Minerva Thompson; brothers, William Thompson, and Thomas Thompson; to his sisters, Jane Buchanan, Narcissa Thompson, Polly Thompson and the heirs of Peggy Thompson.

NATHANIEL YOUNG. Will probated November, 1853. Will Book 3, p. 137. Devises his property as follows: To his six children, Samuel, Nathan, Elizabeth, Polly, Jefferson and Powhatan (deceased daughter Margaret mentioned).

HERNDON MURPHY. Will probated August, 1854. Will Book No. 3, p. 145. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly; to his sons, John and Henry; to two daughters (names not mentioned).

JOHN WAMPLER. Will probated February, 1855. Will Book 3, p. 174. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Catherine; to his daughters, Elizabeth and Polly Ann.

DANIEL TABOR of Bluestone. Will probated February, 1855. Will Book 3, p. 174. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary; to his sons, Samuel, John, and Charles. (Will reads as though there were other children to share in the estate but names not given.)



MARY FLETCHER. Will probated March, 1855. Will Book 3, p. 175. Devises all her property to her daughter, Polly. Kiah Harman, Executor.

MOSES CHRISTIAN. Will probated May, 1855. Will Book No. 3, p. 186. Devises his property as follows: To his wife (name not given); to his sons, Mastin, John, Thomas, Samuel and Alexander; to his daughters, Louisa Low and Shone.

LETITIA S. HARRISON. Will probated September, 1855. Will Book No. 3, p. 191. Devises her property as follows: To her mother, Milly Taylor; to her sister, Susan Hawthorn; to her brothers, John and Stephen Taylor; sister, Sally McDonald; to her nephew, William McDonald; niece, Letitia Hawthorne; to her servants, Jim and Celia; to her sister, Matilda.

JAMES WHITT. Will probated September, 1855. Will Book No. 3, p. 192. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy; to his father, Hezekiah Whitt.

HANNAH DAUGHERTY. Will probated October, 1855. Will Book 3, p. 193. Devises her property as follows: To her husband, John L.; to her sister, Elleanor Whitman; to her brother, William Peery; to her niece, Hannah Peery.

SHADRACH WHITE. Will probated January, 1858. Will Book No. 3, p. 241. Devises his property to his wife; to his son, Augustus; to his nephews, Shadrach and Almarine and Robert White; to Eliza Baylor, William White and to William Bradshaw—for use of Isabella Bradshaw.

JAMES B. THOMPSON. Will probated April, 1858. Will Book No. 3, p. 249. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Pollie; to his son, Edward R.; daughters, just the name Mary is mentioned.

BENJAMIN F. LAYNE. Will dated September 27, 1857. Will Book No. 3, p. 277. Devises his property to his wife; to his two children, John and Marthy; frees one of his slaves, Rose.

OLIVER WYNN. Will probated June, 1858. Will Book No. 3, p. 277. Devises his property as follows: To his daughters, Magdalene Hall and Mary Pendleton; to his son, Oliver, Jr.; to his great-grand-daughter, Mary L. J. Davis.

RHODA CRABTREE. Will probated December, 1858. Will Book No. 3, p. 279. Devises her property to her sister, Catherine Hubble.

CHARLES YOUNG. Will probated June, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 283. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret; to his seven children: Hugh, Peggy, Nancy, John, Milly, William and Rebecca.

LARKIN STOWERS. Will probated June, 1858. Will Book No. 3, p. 298. Devises his property to his son, Rufus, and to his daughters, Mary, Sarah and Christina. He mentions having given his older children what he wanted them to have. He does not name them.

DANIEL P. GREGORY. Will probated June, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 298. Devises his property to his wife and children (not named).

WILLIAM GREEN, SR. Will probated August, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 302. Devises his property to George Green, Christina Green, Fanny Blankenship, Marget, Henry Green, John Green, Jr.

THOMAS BROOKS. Will probated August, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 303. Devises his property as follows: To his granddaughters, Mary, Sarah, Jane and Winny Brooks; to his great-grand-son, Erastus T. Brooks; to his sons, Richard, Alexander and Arch; to his daughter-in-law, Macy Brooks.

PLEASANT FRANKLIN. Will probated September, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 305. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth; to his sons, Thomas, James and George M.; to his daughter, Levicey Scott; to grand-son, Tilman C. Franklin; to his wife's grand-son, Maddison Wexler Franklin.

NATHANIEL YOUNG. Will probated June, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 317. Devises his property to his wife, Frances, and to four grand-children, Sarah Ann, Conley, Rebecca, Vicey and Thomas Molloy.

WILLIAM GEORGE. Will probated December, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 318. Devises his property to his niece, Mary M. McCall.

MARTHA DRAKE. Will probated November, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 319. Devises her property to all her lawful heirs (not named) and Rachel Stinson.

MATHEW FRENCH. Will probated December, 1859. Will Book No. 3, p. 353. Devises his property to his nephew, Albert French; to his sister, Elizabeth French; to Albert French's sisters (names not mentioned).

MORDICA STOWERS. Will probated August, 1860. Will Book No. 3, p. 379. Devises his property as follows: To his wife,



Polly; to his sons, William, Hickman, Colby, James M., John W., Peter R., and Isaac F.; to his daughters, Elizabeth Pauley, Nancy Lambert, Dicey Robinett and Charlotta Lambert.

THOMAS PERRY. Will probated August, 1860. Will Book No. 3, p. 380. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jane; to his sons, William E. and Thomas R.; to his daughter, Harriet; and to the children of deceased daughter, Louisa.

MARY COOPER. Will probated May, 1861. Will Book No. 3, p. 412. Devises her property to Roda P., Dicey S. Lambert (daughters of Joseph Lambert); to George W. and Isaac Lambert (sons of James Lambert); to Sarah S., Mary Jane, Rachel Matilda; Percilla E. Lambert (wife of Hiram Lambert).

JAMES B. CRABTREE. Will probated May, 1861. Will Book No. 3, p. 413. Devises his property to his wife, Mary; to his sons, Thomas, William and John; to his daughters, Nancy, Susan, Elizabeth, Ann, Jane and Rhody.

WILLIAM M. MARRS. Will probated October, 1861. Will Book No. 3, p. 432. Devises his property to his mother, Mary Jane, and to his sister, Margaret.

SHADRACH W. WHITE. Will probated October, 1861. Will Book No. 3, p. 433. Devises his property to his four brothers, John B., Almarine B., Robert A., and William H.; to his sisters, Eliza W. Baylor, Isabella Bradshaw and Polly Ann Calhoun; and nephew, Sparrell White.

ALEXANDER ST. CLAIR. Will probated April, 1862. Will Book No. 3, p. 456. Devises his property to his wife, Martha M.; his sister, Harriet Wolfender and four children, viz: Rosalinda, Alexander, Elizabeth H., and John C.

WILLIAM PEERY. Will probated April, 1862. Will Book No. 3, p. 458. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth; to his daughters, Hannah Henderson, Elenor Farmer, Harriet (single), Louisa (single), Laury (single); to his sons, William and Augustus; to Amanda Moore.

DAVID PEERY. Will probated August, 1862. Will Book No. 3, p. 498. Devises his property to his wife, Eleanor; to his sons, John D. and David H.; to his daughters, Nancy Preston, Christina Hatcher, Louisa Harris, Letitia Carnahan and Eleanor M. Borders; to David Augustus S. Barlett (Nancy's son).



**BENJAMIN WATKINS WILLIAMS.** Will probated December, 1862. Will Book No. 3, p. 507. Devises his property to his brother, Robert M. Williams.

**JOHN BUCHANAN, SR.** Will probated October, 1863. Will Book 3, p. 530. Devises his property as follows: To Mary P. Buchanan, widow of his son, John; to said widow's three daughters, Susan H., Mary F., and Nancy V.; to Israel H. Buchanan, grand-son; grand-daughter, Lydia; to his sons, William and Arch T.; to his daughters, Polly and Nancy Buchanan.

**THOMAS DAVIS.** Will probated January, 1864. Will Book No. 3, p. 531. Devises his property to his four daughters, Mary Jane Williams, Rebecca Caroline, Nancy and Octavia E. Davis and to Polly Ratliff, wife of Peter Ratliff.

**ALEXANDER WARD.** Will probated March, 1864. Will Book No. 3, p. 532. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jane; to his daughters, Jane, Rebecca Gibson; to his grand-children, Ellen, Edward, Reese, Alexander and Andrew Gibson; to his sons, E. R. Ward and Thompson Ward.

**POLLY PEERY.** Will probated March, 1864. Will Book No. 3, p. 533. Devises her property to her daughter, Jane Spratt; to her nephews, Samuel Spratt, Samuel P. Gillespie; to her nieces, Polly Crabtree, Elizabeth Watts; to John Spratt, husband of Jane.

**MOSES HANKINS.** Will probated August, 1864. Will Book No. 3, p. 534. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, James and John; to his daughters, Cynthia Sparks (wife of Wm. Sparks), Nancy Hankins (wife of Carter), Rebecca Booth (wife of John W.); to daughter-in-law, Eliza Hankins (wife of John); to his grand-children: Rebecca Jane, Patty, John, Maddison, Joseph and Charles Asberry (children of his daughter ———), Louisa Sparks; one acre of land to three Trustees for the use of the Church.

**ALMARINE B. WHITE.** Will probated April, 1863. Will Book No. 3, p. 536. Devises his property as follows: To his son, Thomas (Horton) White; to his brothers, William H., Robert A. and John B.; to his sisters (names not mentioned); to Polly Ann Calhoun.

**JOHN BARNS.** Will probated April, 1863. Will Book No. 3, p. 537. Devises his property to his son, William. Executors, Clinton Barns and Rees T. Bowen.

JOHN I. CROCKETT. Will probated March, 1865. Will Book No. 3, p. 602. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret; to his sons, Thomas, Charles, Robert, Gratton and John; to his daughters, Mary, Louisa and Margaret.

J. C. McDONALD. Will probated November, 1865. Will Book No. 3, p. 602. Devises his property as follows: To his father, Joseph McDonald; to his sister, Polly, wife of J. H. Anderson.

*WILL BOOK No. 4.*

BENJAMIN HELBERT. Will probated November, 1864. Will Book No. 4, p. 12. Devises his property to Jane Roberts.

JAMES MAXWELL. Will probated March, 1866. Will Book No. 4, p. 25. Devises his property to his wife, Mary, and to his son, James. He states that he had already given property to his other children. Names not mentioned.

JAMES G. HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated February, 1866. Will Book 4, p. 23. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Isabella; to his sons, Rees B. and James G., and to his daughters, Elizabeth Jane, Letitia Stras.

THOMAS S. GILLESPIE. Will probated June, 1866. Will Book 4, p. 50. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mariah, and at her death to be equally divided among his children. Names not given.

MATILDA BOWLING. Will probated May, 1866. Will Book No. 4, p. 51. Devises her property as follows: To her daughters, Margaret and Matilda Bowling.

WILLIAM L. DAVIS of Illinois. Copy of will probated June, 1866. Will Book No. 4, p. 52. Devises his property as follows: To his wife; to his son, John William; to his daughter, Mary Margaret (his house on Main St. in Jeffersonville, Va.); to his daughter, Rachel Louisa (his house in West end of Jeffersonville, Va., on which the printing office stands); to his sisters, Margaret Jane Davis and Eliza Ann Davis, \$100.00 each, conditioned upon recovery of property confiscated by the so-called Confederate States of America. Joseph Meek and Turner M. Jackson, Executors.

DANIEL A. MALOY. Will probated August, 1866. Will Book No. 4, p. 54. Devises his property to his only son, William D. Maloy.

JOHN GRILLS. Will probated November, 1868. Will Book No. 4, p. 55. Devises his property to his wife, Elizabeth and to his children, viz: Cornelius, Elizabeth Jenkins, Christina Thompson,



Sarah Bowling, Martha Thompson, Mary McNeeleys, Emily Miller, Victoria and Harriet Grills.

THOMAS BURRESS. Will probated —, 1867. Will Book No. 4, p. 57. Devises his property to his son-in-law, John Thompson and his heirs. Witnesses: James Davis and Elizabeth Crismond.

KIAH HARMAN. Will probated November, 1867. Will Book No. 4, p. 58. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy B. and to his children, viz: Henry D., Rhoda May, Christina Austin, and Hoge Kiah A.; and to the children of his deceased son, E. F. Harman.

JOSHUA BELCHE. Will probated January, 1867. Will Book No. 4, p. 75. Devises his property as follows: To his two sons, Zachariah and Wingfield; to his two daughters, Matilda and Milly; to Bernetha E. Dailey and Nancy Maloy; to his grand-sons, Thurston Belshee and William D. Maloy.

ENOCH MOORE. Will probated September, 1868. Will Book No. 4, p. 170. Devises his property to his wife, Martha Moore and to John H. Suthers.

NANCY WHITT. Will probated October, 1868. Will Book No. 4, p. 171. Devises her property to her nephew, Jonas Whitt (son of Griffey Whitt).

A. F. HENDERSON. Will probated December, 1868. Will Book No. 4, p. 173. Devises his property to his wife, Adelaide D. Henderson.

DIANAH HEDRICK. Will probated January, 1868. Will Book 4, p. 174. Devises her property as follows: To her children, Harvey M., Granville and Nancy E. Carter; to Nancy's children, Joseph Winfrey Carter, Sarah Victoria, Morgan, Ordellia Jane, Pegton, Mandance, and Beauregard Carter; and to Mary E. Carter, a life estate. He names Henderson Bailey as the husband of his daughter, Sarah.

DEBORAH CAIN. Will probated February, 1869. Will Book No. 4, p. 206. Devises her property to her sons, William, Michael and John, and to her mother, Joannah Coffey of Norfolk, Virginia.

ANDREW P. MOORE. Will probated March, 1869. Will Book No. 4, p. 218. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy; to his sons, John Columbus and George Monteville and to his daughter, Princess Palmira. Appoints his nephew, Elgin Whitley, Executor.

JOHN W. WITTEN. Will probated September, 1869. Will Book No. 4, p. 224. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Catherine C.; to the three children of William W. Peery, Ella, Kate



and Rebecca; to his four daughters, Linnie Dunn, Margaret Loony, Louisa Ratliff, and Lizzie George; and to his grand-son, John Dunn.

H. G. PEERY. Will probated September, 1869. Will Book No. 4, p. 225. Devises his property to his wife (name not given) and to his children, Frankland, William, Albert, James, Joseph, H. G., Jr. and Julia Sexton.

PHILIP GREEVER. Will probated February, 1860 (1870). Will Book No. 4, p. 282. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy; to his grand-daughter, Louisa Greever; to his sons, Philip B., David B., John J., and Charles H.

JEFFERSON DESKINS. Will probated March, 1870. Will Book No. 4, p. 291. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary; to James Lawson's wife, Mary; to Henry Stevenson's children, by his wife, Catherine; and to Wesley McGrevis (?) children by his wife, Margaret.

ADDISON CROCKETT. Will probated March, 1870. Will Book No. 4, p. 297. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jane; to Mrs. Delilah Crockett, his daughter and wife of James W. Crockett; then to his seven youngest children, viz: Elijah, Robert A., Henry, Sarah Ann, Eldred R., Ella A. and Geo. D. Crockett.

ELIZABETH W. MAHOOD. Will dated January, 1869. Will Book No. 4, p. 302. Devises her property as follows: To her brother, James; to her mother, Nancy Mahood; to her two sisters, Synthia A. Rhudy and Arysline (Arynjine) Peery.

MOSES BEAVERS. Will probated February, 1871. Will Book No. 4, p. 306. Devises his property to his sons, Mathias H., Alexander R. and Moses J. and to his daughters, Lydia Seabolt, Elizabeth Waldron and Rebecca Waldron.

MOSES BELCHER. Will probated February, 1871. Will Book No. 4, p. 307. Devises his property as follows: To his oldest son, Robert; to his son, Isom G.; to Henrietta E. French; to James Belcher; to his wife, Nancy Belcher, one-third part, etc.; then to Nancy Belcher, Samuel T. Belcher, Sara Ann Belcher and Ellen A. Belcher.

SAMUEL CECIL. Will probated March, 1871. Will Book No. 4, p. 308. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy; to his three youngest sons, Russell T., Robert M., and Thomas Zachariah; and to his seven other children, viz: Louisa M. Samples, Wm.

S., James M., Samuel W., Nancy J. Steele, and the heirs of Witten Cecil, deceased, and Julia Ann Steele.

WITTEN CECIL. Will dated ———. Will Book No. 4, p. 314. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth. He mentions his children, Chester, Joseph and Louisa, as having been provided for, then devises to Charles Hurt, Louisa Bottimore. "Balance to be divided among my several daughters."

JOSEPH HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated September, 1871. Will Book No. 4, p. 318. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, George W. and Hugh S.; then to his eight married daughters (not named), and to his unmarried daughter, Betsy; then he mentions his daughters, Nancy, Jane and America.

JOHN GREEN, SENIOR. Will probated October, 1871. Will Book 4, p. 319. Devises his property to John Bishop, son of Catherine Bishop; and to his wife, Christina Green.

ANDREW BALDWIN. Will dated September, 1871. Will Book No. 4, p. 423. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Catherine; to two sisters, Barbara and Malinda Fox; to his wife's niece, Mira Repass. Certain division to be made by Sarah. Devises to his sister, Ann Asberry and to her daughter, Peggy, and mentions David S. Fox and Mathias Fox as distributors, also Harry A. Long, nephew of testator and son of Andrew Long, deceased. He also names Jessee Alder, and his brother, Nicholas Baldwin's heirs, and Amy Ausborn, his sister.

THOMAS PEERY, SR. Will probated February, 1872. Will Book 4, p. 424. Devises his property as follows: To his two youngest sons, James and Thomas. "Jessee, Stephen and Archibald have already been proportioned." To his four daughters, viz: Margaret, Elizabeth, Sarah and Sophia.

JOHN W. TAYLOR. Will probated February, 1872. Will Book No. 4, p. 425. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary J. S. Taylor; to his son, Thomas Tate Taylor and to his daughter, Mary L. Taylor; to his daughters, viz: Mariah V. Frazier, Sarah E. Taylor, Margaret S. Smith and India S. Taylor. (He mentions his father, James Taylor, deceased); to his daughter, Mary and son, Thomas; and to his son-in-law, John M. Smith and Margaret, his wife.

WILLIAM BLANKENSHIP. Will probated April, 1873. Will Book 4, p. 481. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Anna; to Elec Steel, Nancy Waltz, the heirs of Patsy Steel, de-



ceased, the wife of Shadrich Steel; to sons, G. W., Edward, John Tolbert and William; to Nelly, wife of Joseph Blankenship.

WILLIAM BROWN. Will probated April, 1873. Will Book No. 4, p. 482. Devises his property as follows: To his daughter, Julia A. Baylor; to his son, Wm. H., and to Wm. H.'s little daughter, Nancy I. Brown; to his daughter, Rachel J. White; to his son, Geo. H. Brown; to his daughter, Nancy J. Brown.

JAMES Q. KINDRICK. Will probated June, 1873. Will Book No. 4, p. 484. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Rebecca, and to his two daughters, Ella and Caroline; to his daughters, Mary E. Gillespie, Lucinda M. Dickenson, Lydia J. Gillespie and Margaret Davis; to his son, William P.; to his daughter, Celina O. Hurt, Mary Beatie; to Thomas A. Kindrick, Geo. W. Kindrick, Henry W. Kindrick, James P. Kindrick.

PETER ALDER. Will probated September, 1873. Will Book No. 4, p. 513. Devises his property as follows: To his two daughters, Ann Atwell and Susan Burkett.

REBECCA THOMPSON. Will probated September, 1873. Will Book No. 4, p. 514. Devises her property as follows: To her grand-daughter, Rebecca Noe; to her three sons, John D. Dills, Alexander King and Harvey King.

SARAH L. WILSON. Will probated November, 1873. Will Book No. 4, p. 546. Devises her property to her daughter, Nancy B. Currin, and sons, Charles and John.

GEORGE PEERY. Will probated January, 1869. Will Book No. 4, p. 547. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy; to his sons, Thomas, Marshall, John Henderson, Rees and William; and to his daughters, Jane Preston of Kentucky and Lucinda.

JESSEE J. DOUGHTON. Will probated May, 1874. Will Book No. 4, p. 572. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mesa; to his son-in-law, Robert Crockett; to his son, Enos Doughton; and to his daughter, Lydia, wife of James Dillian.

S. W. HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated June, 1874. Will Book No. 4, p. 582. Devises his property to his sons, John C., James S. S., Samuel H., and Thomas W. Appointed his brother, Rees B. Higginbotham, Executor.

MOSES KARNS. Will probated December, 1874. Will Book No. 4, p. 605. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jane; to his two grand-children, James Moses Gilpin and Charles W. Gilpin.

WILLIAM BARNES. Will probated August, 1875. Will Book No. 4, p. 635. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Robert,



Oscar, John, Clinton; to his four daughters, Polly, Amanda, Sally and Eliza; and to his three grand-children, Rebecca, William and James, children of his daughter, Nancy. He mentions his wife but does not give her name.

JOHN M. CRISMOND of Burke's Garden. Will probated August, 1875. Will Book No. 4, p. 636. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth; to his son, W. B.; to his daughters, Mary Agnes, Sarah Margaret Fox, Lizzie E. Wynn, Ann E., and Emma V. Crismond; to his sons-in-law, J. M. McGuire and John C. Wynn.

WILLIAM T. DOAK. Will probated September, 1875. Will Book No. 4, p. 645. Devises his property as follows: To his brother, James R. Doak, "for him and his children, in an especial manner for his blind son, Rees;" to his niece, Matilda Spratt; to Bell Fox; to his nephew, Rees E. Doak; and remainder "to the heirs of Sena Rogers, Lydia Cowell, David W. Doak, Nancy Buchanan."

BENJAMIN GILDERSLEEVE. Will probated October, 1875. Will Book No. 4, p. 660. Testator 85 years old. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Benjamine, John R. and Gilbert S.; and to his daughters, Jonna, Emma and her daughters, Louise and Ellen; to "Bane my eldest son, ———; my daughter, Mollie's share ———; to my grand-son, Paul Pratt."

FRANCIS MCGUIRE. Will probated January, 1876. Will Book No. 4, p. 669. Devises his property to his wife, Narcissa; to his daughter, Matilda Whitt's heirs (she, wife of Jeremiah Whitt).

SARAH STEPHENSON. Will probated February, 1876. Will Book No. 4, p. 670. Devises her property to her daughters, Lucinda R. Nunley, Margaret and Elizabeth Stephenson.

CHARLES F. TIFFANY. Will probated February, 1876. Will Book 4, p. 695. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jane S.; to his daughter, Maria Jane; to his grand-daughters, Americus Margaret, Eliza, Nancy Jane and Polly Maria and their heirs; and to his step-daughter, Sarah Gillespie. He appoints his son-in-law, Alexander St. Clair, his executor.

REV. JONATHAN LYONS. Will probated November, 1876. Will Book No. 4, p. —. Devises his property to his wife, N. A. Lyons, and names her executor of his will and guardian of their children.

JAMES W. SHEFFEY. Will probated December, 1876. Will Book 4, p. 758. Had previously been admitted to record in Wythe and Smythe Counties.

FRANCIS TABOR. Will probated January, 1877. Will Book No. 4, p. 787. Devises his property as follows: "For as much as Adam E. Waggoner, my son-in-law, has purchased the interest of my daughter, Mary A. Marrs . . . . and James C. Dudley, my son-in-law, having purchased the interest of Emerine V. Marrs . . . . same to be divided between Juliana E. Waggoner and Mariah L. Dudley," and to his son, W. J. Tabor.

THOMAS LESTER. Will probated March, 1877. Will Book No. 4, p. 789. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret; to his sons, Wm. F. and J. Floyd; to his daughters, Malinda Drake; only heir, B. L. Drake of Wolf Co., Ky.; Ann Eliza Askew, wife of Henry Askew, Jane Gibson, Nancy Lester.

*WILL BOOK No. 5.*

JOHN THOMPSON of Burke's Garden. Will probated May, 1877. Will Book No. 5, p. 1. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lydia; to his daughters, Missanie Ferrel and Louisa Thomas; to his sons, George P., John R., and James H.

J. J. GREEVER. Will probated July, 1877. Will Book 5, p. 2. Devises his property to his wife (name not given); to his children, I. B., C. W., John, Lettie, Angie and Tobie.

WILLIAM PATTON MARTIN. Will probated August, 1877. Will Book 5, p. 7. Devises his property to his wife (name not given) and to his children, May and John.

REES B. HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated March, 1878. Will Book 5, p. 35. Devises his property to his wife, Jane; to his executor, Albert P. Gillespie, and to his executor in trust for his eight children (names not given) for ten years.

ARCHIBALD PEERY. Will probated August, 1878. Will Book 5, p. 82. Devises his property to his infant son, Thomas Edward. In event of his death before 21 years of age and without issue, property to be equally divided among his brothers, Jesse, James, and Thomas; and sisters, Elizabeth Hudson, Sophia Foglesong, Sarah Muncy and the children of Margaret Greever.

ARCHIBALD THOMPSON. Will probated November, 1878. Will Book 5, p. 83. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly; to his sons, Alexander, George O., and Archibald; to his daughters, Louisa B. Graham, Rebecca P. Smith and May J. Tout (?).

SOPHIA E. STIMSON. Will probated March, 1878. Will Book 5, p. 84. Devises her property as follows: To her nephew, Paul



S. Calhoun; to her cousins, Delila H. Henser, Mrs. Clara H. Nelson and Charles J. Andrews; to Mrs. Elizabeth Andrews, Mrs. May Montell, Miss Eliza Montell, Miss Charlie Mantico, Miss May Dubois, Mrs. L. J. Didias, Miss Lodig Hunt, Miss Eliza Hunt, Henry Steinbecker, J. F. Traybern, Mrs. S. J. S. Traybern, James Merrick; to Union Protestant Infirmary of Baltimore, Central Presbyterian Church of Baltimore, Aged Woman's Home of Baltimore, Md., Maryland Bible Society, Presbyterian Board of Relief for Disabled Ministers and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers.

**JULIA M. CALBURN.** Will probated July, 1876. Will Book 5, p. 91. Her property similarly devised as Sophia E. Stimson.

**THOMAS J. HIGGINBOTHAM.** Will probated June, 1879. Will Book 5, p. 114. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy; to his daughters, N. L. Higginbotham, Mary Gillespie, Mariah Hoge; to his sons, J. B. Higginbotham and W. J. Higginbotham; to sons-in-law, Joseph S. Gillespie and J. Meek Hoge.

**WILLIAM M. GILLESPIE.** Will probated September, 1879. Will Book 5, p. 116. Devises his property to his daughters, Margaret Harrison, Sarah J. Barnes, Barbara E. Gillespie, Mariah L. Bowen, Elvira P. Painter and Mary V. Barnes; to his sons, David J., Joseph S., and Albert P. Gillespie.

**W. G. W. CURRIN.** Will probated June, 1878. Will Book 5, p. 128. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret; to his daughters, Sarah I. Ashbrook, Olivia, Caroline, Elvira L. Dillon, Eldorado V. Byrd; to his sons, A. P., W. H., George E.; to grand-daughter, Demprey; to grand-son, Bird, son of Elvira.

**PETER LITZ.** Will probated April, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 149. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary E.; to his daughters, Mary P. Jameson, Margaret Bowles, Elizabeth S. Clarke; to his sons, John T. and Wm. S.; to his step-sons, William G. and James M. Cline.

**MARTIN DUNCAN.** Will probated April, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 150. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy.

**JAMES B. LOW.** Will probated April, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 151. Devises his property to his wife and afflicted child; to sons, Reese, Crockett and John.

**MARY WITTEN.** Will probated May, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 151. Devises her property to her daughter, Celina Dickenson.

**M. B. DAVIS.** Will probated May, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 152. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, John, Tyree, Chat-



man and William; to his grand-sons, Moses, William, John; Rees Davis' heirs: William, John and James; to Martha W. Alley and Lasty Ann Hickman.

JANE LOUTHAN. Will probated July, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 161. Devises her property to her grand-son, David G. Henninger.

WILLIAM D. NEEL. Will probated September, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 162. Devises his property as follows: To his mother, Elizabeth Neel; to his three brothers, Ballard P., Wilson H., and Syrus B.

JAMES BRUSTER. Will probated December, 1880. Will Book 5, p. 163. Devises his property to his son, James M. Bruster.

JOHN M. BROWN. Will probated December, 1880. Will Book No. 5, p. 163. Devises his property to his wife, Ellenor; to his nephew, Samuel D. Sayers.

DERRY CECIL. Will probated February, 1881. Will Book 5, p. 170. Devises his property to his wife, Matilda, during her lifetime; and to her son, George, and grand-sons, Beverly and Alexander after his wife's death.

RANDOLPH HOLBROOK. Will probated January, 1881. Will Book 5, p. 171. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary; to his sons, James W., Wrical D., John C., and Edward W. Holbrook; to his daughters, Melissa T. Waggoner, Mary C. Patterson; to Silvanus, one-time servant, privilege to live on land for life, rent free.

JANE KEARNS. Will probated April, 1881. Will Book No. 5, p. 191. Devises her property as follows: To F. P. Rutherford and Agnes, his wife; to R. C. Fudge, Harriet L. Tynes and Eliza A. Witten.

PETER SPRACHER. Will probated May, 1881. Will Book 5, p. 218. Devises his property as follows: To his wife (name not given); to his children: William L., Julia Anne, Eliza M. and Caroline.

PEARIS CRAIG. Will probated November, 1881. Will Book 5, p. 249. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Emily; to his sister, Emily Johnson; to brother, Charles Craig; to his friend, Wilk Gardner.

MARGARET S. WITTEN. Will probated January, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 269. Devises her property to her niece, Mary M. St. Clair, wife of John St. Clair; to sister, Elizabeth M. Bottimore; to Methodist Episcopal Church; to great nephew, Jno. W. St. Clair; to great niece, Mary M. St. Clair.

**WILLIAM H. WARD.** Will probated January, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 270. Devises his property to his wife, Jennie D. Ward.

**JAMES R. DOAK.** Will probated May, 1882. Will Book 5, page 279. Devises his property to his children, G. W., Reese E., Nannie, Rachel Thompson.

**ELBERT C. SHANNON.** Will probated May, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 280. Devises his property as follows: To his nephew, John William Shannon; to nieces, Laura Elizabeth, Margaret Ella and Mary Virginia Shannon; to Andrew Jackson Nash; to sisters, Mary Ann Bailey and Elizabeth Nash; to his brother, Joseph C. Shannon.

**WILLIAM H. WARD.** Will probated August, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 328. Devises his property to his wife, Jennie D. Ward.

**CROCKETT STUMP.** Will probated September, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 328. Devises his property to his wife, Virginia and to his daughters, Mary, Harriet Elvira.

**WALTER W. THOMPSON.** Will probated September, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 329. Devises his property to his wife, name not given, and to his children, Wm. J., Mary J. Brown and Margaret L. Steel.

**RT. REV. RICHARD VINCENT WHELAN** (Catholic Bishop). Will probated September, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 342. Devises his property to Very Rev. Henry F. Parke of Parkersburg, and Very Rev. Jno. T. Sullivan of Wheeling, W. Va.

**JOHN W. MYERS.** Will probated November, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 543. Devises his property to his six children: Nancy L., Richard R., Louamy L., James R., Charles C., and Permelia Ann.

**JOSEPH A. MOORE.** Will probated November, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 344. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Martha P. Moore; to his sons, Augustus F. and James T.; to his daughter, Julia Hounshell; and to his son-in-law, Andy Hounshell.

**THOMAS B. PEERY.** Will probated November, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 345. Devises his property to his wife, Mary, and to his children: Nancy Loucinda, Geo. F., Sarah Jane White, and heirs of Julia Ann Parks.

**WILLIAM P. LINKOUS.** Will probated December, 1882. Will Book 5, p. 349. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary B.; to his father, John Linkous; to his son, John E. and to his sisters, Mary, Rebecca Norman, Martha Wallace; to his brother, Milburn Linkous.

**JOHN BAILEY** of Beaver Pond. Will probated February, 1883. Will Book 5, p. 353. Devises his property as follows: To his



wife, Polly; to his sons, Estill, Carmack, N. Biddle, Granville and Festus; to his daughters, Mary and Sarah.

CRABTREE TAYLOR. Will probated March, 1883. Will Book 5, p. 370. Devises his property to his wife, Patsa Persillar.

GEO. WILLIAM DABNEY. Will probated April, 1883. Will Book 5, p. 370. Devises his property to his sister, Mrs. Dr. Thomas L. Walker of Lynchburg.

HUGH YOUNG. Will probated October, 1883. Will Book 5, p. 405. Devises his property to his children: Evelene Boyd, Charles, John B., Lillie Brown, Zarilda Brown, Octavia Higginbotham, Eliza Swango and Louisa Duff; to his grand-children, Rosa Bell Higginbotham, daughter of his deceased daughter Nancy Higginbotham; James, Charles, Joseph B. and Kansas Wingo, children of his deceased son, Reese B. Young.

THOMAS STEEL. Will probated December, 1883. Will Book 5, p. 422. Devises his property to his wife, Jinsy, during her life—to his grand-son, Robert Tatum, at twenty-five years of age.

MARY DESKINS. Will probated January, 1884. Will Book 5, p. 422. Devises her property to her grand-daughters: Margaret Jane Stephenson, Mary C. Stephenson and Virginia Stephenson; to Thomas Blankenship; to heirs of Margaret McGuire (wife of Wesley McGuire).

ELLEN WATTS. Will probated February, 1884. Will Book 5, p. 423. Devises her property as follows: To her daughter, Elizabeth McNeil; to her son, Ballard P. Watts; to her grand-daughters, Ellener Surfronia and Adline McNeil.

DANIEL CHRISTIAN. Will probated April, 1884. Will Book 5, p. 424. Devises his property to his wife, Hanna, during her life, and then to be equally divided among the following heirs: Rebecca Davis, Louvisa Asbury, David Christian, John H. Christian, Polly Prewitt, Ellen Beavers, Rachel Vandike, Sarah Sparks, Louisa Harisson, Rebecca Bandy, M. Christian, Wm. M. Christian, C. H. Christian and James Bandy.

JOHN D. PEERY. Will probated August, 1884. Will Book 5, p. 427. Devises his property to his sons, Charles H. and D. P.; to his daughters, Louisa A. Johnson, Mollie E. Harman and Ellie Howard.

JOHN L. NEEL. Will probated October, 1884. Will Book 5, p. 446. Devises his property to his wife during her life, then to be equally divided among his children (not named).



JOHN T. BAUGH. Will probated December 23, 1884. Will Book 5, p. 453. Devises his property to his wife, Agnes.

JOSEPH STRAS, SR. Will probated January, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 455. Devises his property to his children: Joseph, Beverly, Martha E. and Lucy; to his son-in-law, Augustus White.

LYDIA HALL. Will probated February, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 457. Devises her property to Thomas Hall.

JOSIAH M. THOMPSON. Will probated February, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 457. Devises his property to his four children, Daniel A., Alice C., L. Newton and Harvey G. (mentions children of first wife but names not given).

WILLIAM FLUMMER of Bluestone. Will probated March, 1885. Will Book No. 5, p. 484. Devises his property to his wife and daughters: Julia, Margaret, Sarah Ann, Harriet Ludema. Minerva Frances and Mary Elizabeth. (Son William given his share.)

ROBERT C. GRAHAM. Will probated April, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 485. Devises his property to his three children: Charles M. Graham, Rebecca J. Tarter, Samuel C.; to his grand-children: Charles R., William and Kemper Tarter, and Robert Graham; to son-in-law, Robert Tarter.

ISAAC PAINTER. Will probated June, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 491. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Evelina; to sons, S. C., Charles T., James B. and T. L.; heirs of Frank; to daughters, Emeline Pierce, Sarah Ann Chafin and Mary.

WILLIAM HANKINS. Will probated November, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 520. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary; to his son, Charles P.; to Peter Hankins, Elizabeth Barrett, Esther Sparks' heirs, Isaac M. Hankins and Grace D. Tabor's heirs.

JEFFERSON MATNEY. Will probated December, 1885. Will Book 5, p. 520. Devises his property to his daughter, Mary Jane Matney, and to his son, John C. Matney.

GEORGE G. PEERY. Will probated January, 1886. Will Book 5, p. 521. Devises his property to his brothers: A. E. and Marvin S.; and to his sister, Ella S. Crockett.

CLARISSA S. ANGLIN. Will probated March, 1886. Will Book 5, p. 537. Devises her property as follows: To her son, James P.; to her daughter, Mary R. Jamison; to her grand-children, Joanna Price, Edward H., Gustavus W., Martha Frances, Mary F., George M., Henry T., and Louis B. Jamison.

THOMAS M. SCOTT of Cedar Bluff. Will probated July, 1886. Will Book 5, p. 539. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Martha J.; to his sons, Emmett H., Charles E., Erastus B.; to his daughters, Mary E. Hurt, Margaret L. and Martha Ellen Scott.

STEPHEN SPRACHER. Will probated December, 1886. Will Book 5, p. 559. Devises his property to his wife, Margaret, and heirs (names not given).

CORNELIUS MCGUIRE. Will probated March, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 363. Devises his property to his son, Peter G., and daughter, Elizabeth M. Cecil; to George B. and Charles G. Hurt.

ELLEN F. SHEFFEY. Will probated January, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 564. Devises her property as follows: To her children, J. P., Ellen W. Rhea, Mary S. Peters, Martha E. Preston, Virginia W. Haller, Josephine; to her grand-children: James S. and Willie Peters, James Sheffey Pendleton, James Sheffey Rhea, Elleanor L. Rhea, Elleanor Fairman Sheffey.

WILLIAM CARTER. Will probated March, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 566. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Rebecca; "to all my sons" not named; "to all my daughters". Names of Mahola Frances and Lucinda mentioned.

JOHN HARRY. Will probated March, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 566. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret E.; to his children: Isaiah, Charles D., James E., and Cynthia B. P.

CAROLINE H. PEERY. Will probated April, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 579. Devises her property to her sisters, Kate A. and Mattie Smythe and adopted child, Claude Allison.

JAMES LUSTER. Will probated April, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 580. Devises his property to his wife, Jerusha; to his sons, Henry, John and Thomas; to his daughters, Angeline, Jane, Mary and Amanda; to grand-daughters, Victoria and Barbara, children of son, Rees, deceased.

MARY C. DODD. Will probated July, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 590. Devises her property to her children: Lavenia Morrison, Nathaniel K. Smythe, Kate Allen Smythe, Mattie R. Smythe; to her grand-children: Lavenia, Allen and Ida Smythe, children of her son, Alexander A. Smythe.

ZACHARIAH S. WITTEN. Will probated July, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 591. Devises his property to his wife, Julia A.



LOUCINDA PEERY. Will probated July, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 592. Devises her property to George E., Samuel T., Nannie L. and Austin Peery, children of her brother, Marshall Peery.

WILLIAM GRATTON BEAVERS. Will probated September, 1887. Will Book No. 5, page 593. Devises his property to his wife, Lettie Beavers; to his daughter, Pearl; to his brother, C. P. Beavers.

LUCINDA MUTTER. Will probated October, 1887. Will Book 5, p. 594. Devises her property to Mary Mutter, wife of Charles Mutter.

E. A. HOLMES. Will probated January, 1888. Will Book 5, p. 595. Devises his property to his wife, Sally Campbell Holmes.

WILLIAM S. SRADER. Will probated March, 1888. Will Book 5, p. 610. Devises his property to his wife, Peggy, and to his wife's son, Samuel H. Shawver.

M. G. B. DAVIS. Will probated March, 1888. Will Book 5, p. 611. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy M.; to his children, Mary B., Thomas J. and Rebecca C. Davis.

HENRY B. HARMAN. Will probated July, 1888. Will Book 5, p. 628. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Alexander L., Joseph H. and Henry E.; to his daughters, Mary E. Simmerman, Martha J. Davidson, Eugenia J. White, Rosa A. Doak and Hattie C. Kiser, and to grand-daughter, Rosa Belle Harman.

#### *WILL BOOK No. 6.*

JANE R. SUTHERS. Will probated December, 1888. Will Book 6, page 25. Devises her property to her daughter, Mary E., and to her son, John D. (other children—not named—having been provided for by her deceased husband).

WILLIAM P. ROSS. Will probated February, 1889. Will Book 6, page 26. Devises his property to his wife, Virginia P., to his son, William P.; and to his step-daughter, Mrs. Bettie Hicks.

WILLIAM E. NEEL. Will probated March, 1889. Will Book 6, page 27. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy Jane; to his sons, Charley Brown and James Luther; to the ten children of his first wife, Anne: M. F., J. S. W., and Wm. K., only names given.

JACOB HENKLE. Will probated May, 1889. Will Book 6, page 69. Devises his property to his sons, James and George W.; to his daughters, Nancy Deskins, Susan; to his grand-son, Jacob C. Brown.



REES VANDYKE. Will probated May, 1889. Will Book 6, page 70. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly; to his sons, Charles, Rees T., George and Henry P.; to his daughters, Janna, Rebecca.

ALEXANDER KING. Will probated May, 1889. Will Book 6, p. 71. Devises his property to the children of his brother, Harvey King. (Names of children not given.)

JANE M. GREEVER. Will probated July, 1889. Will Book 6, page 72. Devises her property as follows: To her sisters: Maria Louisa Bowen, Mary Cally Bowen, Harriet Bowen Watts; to her nieces, Jennie Bowen and Ella Bowen (daughters of T. P. Bowen); to her nephews, Edward George Watts, Rees Bowen Watts.

CHARLES T. TABOR. Will probated July, 1889. Will Book 6, page 73. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Harriet; to his daughter, Mary V. Mullin; to his grand-son, Gratton Mustard Mullins; to his niece, Evelina Dudley.

SAMUEL LEECE. Will probated July, 1889. Will Book 6, p. 75. Devises his property to his wife, Margaret J.

REECE ASBERRY. Will probated August, 1889. Will Book 6, p. 75. Devises his property to his children: Nannie Virginia, Eddie, Shelney B., Sarah Townsley, Maddison, George, Elizabeth Combs, and to his grand-son, Willie Asberry.

MOSES M. HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated December, 1889. Will Book 6, p. 79. Devises his property to his wife, Mary; to his nephew, Moses W. Humphrey.

ROBERT BUCHANAN. Will probated December, 1889. Will Book 6, p. 80. Devises his property to his wife (name not given) and to three children, Edward Lee, Tvler Hogue and Polly Hall.

PHILIP GREEVER. Will probated February, 1890. Will Book 6, p. 116. Devises his property to his children: Elizabeth, Amanda, Polly, John D. and Charley.

I. E. McDONALD. Will probated June, 1890. Will Book 6, page 136. Devises his property as follows: To his brothers, W. M., and Lewis; to his sisters, Sally Saunders and Nancy McDowell; to his nephew, Walter M. Saunders.

JOSEPH MEEK. Will probated July, 1890. Will Book 6, p. 157. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, I. J. Meek; to his sons, James R., Joseph B. and Robert; to daughter, C. V.

Henager; to grand-sons, Meek and West McGinnis; to Mary Jane Kinder and her two sons, William and Edward.

JOHN BAILEY of Beaver Pond. Will probated July, 1890. Will Book 6, p. 162. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Polly; to his sons, Estill, Festus, Carmack, N. Biddle and Granville; to daughters, Mary and Sarah.

MATILDA HARMAN. Will probated July, 1890. Will Book 6, p. 165. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, Kelly, Bues L.; to her grand-children, Jessie Greever Mason and Martha Davis' heirs.

WM. MARRS. Will probated August, 1890. Will Book 6, page 166. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lavicy, and to four children, Nancy J., Dorah B., Sarah and Samuel W.

WM. L. WATKINS. Will probated September, 1890. Will Book 6, p. 167. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary A.; to nephew, Rev. B. W. Mebine of Ky.; to brother, Dr. Henry A. Watkins; to niece, Miss Ida Ragsdale, to colored servant, Susan, wife of Fayette Watkins.

A. N. THOMPSON. Will probated April, 1891. Will Book 6, p. 173. Devises his property to his nephew, Archibald; nieces, Mary, Rebecca and Georgie Thompson, children of his brother, Geo. O. Thompson.

DAVID B. BOWLING. Will probated April, 1891. Will Book 6, p. 174. Devises his property to his wife, Louisa J.; to his children, George, Margaret, Linna Johnson, Levina Evaline Rich, Louisa Jane Rudd, Martha Gilliam Hall, and Mary Kinder; to his grand-son, Wm. H. Bowling.

SARAH W. DAVIS. Will probated June, 1891. Will Book 6, p. 189. Devises her property to her five daughters, Harriet Chrisman, Cosby Pruitt, Sarah, Willie and Mary Louisa Jane Moss; to her two sons, Addison W. and W. L. R. Davis.

JAMES NORTON. Will probated October, 1891. Will Book 6, p. 200. Devises his property to his five children: Wm. B., Andrew, Mary Jane Tiller, James P. and Amanda E. French; to his grand-children, Nannie D. French, James Ira Tiller, William Oscar.

JAMES H. TABOR. Will probated. Will Book 6, p. 202. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, John A., J. Wade, Thomas E., S. G.; to his daughters, Emma Buckland and Sarah J. Buckland; to his grand-children, Homer, Margaret M., James C., and Edna, children of his son, Geo. C., deceased.



DAVIS S. FOX. Will probated January, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 204. Devises his property to his five children: Gabriel C., Stephen S., David S. Jr., Mary Jane Gillespie and Martha L. Cook.

SUSANAH WALLACE. Will probated December, 1891. Will Book 6, p. 205. Devises her property to Wm. Ward Wallace, Jas. J. Wallace and F. S. Wallace—her sons.

WILLIAM ALTIZER. Will probated February, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 206. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lavisa; to William R. Pruitt; to his sons, Joseph E. and Henry D.

LOUISA KING. Will probated March, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 207. Devises her property to her three daughters, Eveline Thompson, Cordelia and Lydia King.

JOHN H. HAMPTON. Will probated March, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 278. Devises his property to his wife, Catherine; to his grand-daughters, Mary L. Pearman, Sabra C. Pearman; to his children, John H. and Wm. T. Hampton and Rosa C. Pearman.

ISAAC S. HARMAN. Will probated March, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 278. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Virginia; to his sons, David H., White W., Bascom W., Isaac N. and Clinton B.

JOHN BAILEY. Will probated September, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 378. Devises his property to his wife, Rebecca, and to his seven children: James A., Edward V., Susan's children, Elvera Genette, Harriet Cosby and Louvenia.

EMMA V. IRESON. Will probated October, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 380. Devises her property to her husband during his life and at his death to go to all her heirs (names not given).

ERASMUS HARRY of Bluestone. Will probated October, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 380. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Virginia; to his daughters, Nannie Tickle and Harriet R. Bailey; to grand-daughter, Mary Elizabeth Tickle.

EVALINA PAINTER. Will probated October, 1892. Will Book 6, p. 384. Devises her property to her daughter, Mary.

LYDIA DAUGHERTY. Will probated March, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 385. Devises her property to her children: Robert Benton, Alexander, Ludy (?), Alva; to grand-son, Edward Farmer.

ANDREW MCGUIRE. Will probated February, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 386. Devises his property as follows: To his grand-daughter, Martha Jane Harman; to his daughter, Sallie Harman; to his



grand-sons, Daniel B. Harman, W. J. D. Harman and Adam Harman.

WILLIAM SIX. Will probated March, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 439. Devises his property to his five children: David Whitley Six, Margaret Claytor, Nancy Rogers, Mary Ann Howerly and Matilda Buchanan.

MARTHA M. ST. CLAIR. Will probated May, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 440. Devises her property to her children: Rose Spotts, Alex and John C.; to her grand-daughters, Nannie Rose Fudge and Martha Clare Peery.

ADA G. SMOOT. Will probated July, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 468. Devises her property to Ella and Rachel.

JOHN W. SPRATT. Will probated August, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 468. Devises his property to his sons: Adolphus, George and James P.; to his five daughters (names not given); to his grand-sons, John Brooks and John Peery.

GEO. W. THOMPSON of Thompson Valley. Will probated October, 1893. Will Book 6, p. 471. Devises his property to his wife, Camilla, and to the children of his brother, Calvin, viz: Jim, John and Rose.

ISAAC Q. MOORE. Will probated January, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 484. Devises his property to his children: Edward P., John H., William Trigg, Laura Stephenson, Mary Jane and Cosby B. Moore.

HUGH S. BAILEY. Will probated February, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 486. Devises his property to his six children: John C., George C., Thomas S., Mary M. Prather, Nannie C. Maxwell and Sarah J. Bruster.

REESE CROCKETT. Will probated February, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 486. Devises his property to his daughter, Mary; to children of his son, Reese (deceased); to son, Stuart.

HARVEY PETTS of Thos. Valley. Will probated March, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 487. Devises his property to his wife, Eliza S. At her death to his heirs (names not given).

WM. HENRY ALLIE. Will probated June, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 488. Devises all his property to his wife, Eliza Allie.

WILLIAM MCGUIRE. Will probated June, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 488. Devises his property to his wife, Rebecca, and to his sister, Rachel McGuire. After their death to go to Wm. H. Mitchel (son of Thomas Mitchel).

THOMAS V. ALTIZER. Will probated July, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 495. Devises his property to his wife, Lillie C.

JAMES M. MCGUIRE, Cedar Bluff. Will probated September, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 495. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Margaret E.; to his children, Lena E. Reed, Lula Maude and May McGuire, Joseph A., Carrie E., Marvin, James W., John, Sarah.

W. R. COOPER. Will probated October, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 499. Devises his property to his wife (name not given).

J. H. WINGO. Will probated November, 1894. Will Book 6, p. 499. Devises his property to his wife, Mary J. and to his daughter, Annie M.

REBECCA E. LOWE. Will probated January, 1895. Will Book 6, p. 553. Devises her property to her daughter, Sarah Jane Barns, in trust for her (Rebecca E. Lowe) infant children.

ICEM WITTEN. Will probated March, 1895. Will Book 6, p. 567. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sally; to his sons, Charles M., James Newton, Jacob N., Joseph C., John L., and William; to his three daughters, America Jane Witten, Mary Ann Buchanan and Rissa Harman.

MORGAN WYNN. Will probated March, 1895. Will Book 6, p. 568. Devises his property to his wife, Jane and to his two daughters, Pauline Thomas and Cynthia Jane Wynn.

L. R. DODD. Will probated March, 1895. Will Book 6, p. 569. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Maggie; to his sons, Edward, George, Herbert, Isaac and Kent; to his step-son Gordon Hall; to his daughters, Ida, Ora and Hallie.

W. E. PEERY. Will probated March, 1895. Will Book 6, p. 570. Devises his property according to the laws of Descent, Assignment and Distribution—names of three sons, W. E., Jr., Thomas R., and Samuel C. mentioned.

WM. K. BROOKS. Will probated April, 1895. Will Book 6, p. 570. Devises his property to his wife, Matilda Brooks.

#### *WILL BOOK No. 7.*

ELIZABETH STEBAN. Will probated July, 1895. Devised her property to her brother, Alfred Steban.

JONATHAN SMITH. Will probated August, 1895. Devises his property to his sons: James C. and John M.; to his grand-daughter, Bessie Ball, and to his grand-son, Charlie Ball.



**THEOPHILUS ARMS.** Will probated September, 1895. Devises his property to his wife, Angeline, and to his nephew, Theophilus Arms.

**DAVID HASKINS.** Will probated October, 1895. Devises his property to his mother, Ellen Haskins; to James E. and James R. and to his son, Dock Haskins.

**EDWARD CAMPBELL.** Will probated December, 1895. Devises his property to his two sons: Samuel and William.

**REES CRABTREE.** Will probated March, 1896. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jemima; to his daughters, Nancy Arms, Martha Jane and Louisa Crabtree; to his son, George and to his son-in-law, A. J. Brooks.

**ELIZABETH NEEL.** Will probated May, 1896. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, Cyrus Brown, Wilson Howard and Ballard P. Neel; to her four daughters, Nancy Carter, Mariah Paulley, Caroline Columbia Blankenship and Emaline Ketron; to her grand-daughters, Hattie Elizabeth and Bessie May Neel; to her son-in-law, Erasmus Flummer.

**NANCY PEERY.** Will probated July, 1896. Devises her property to her husband, Henry T. Peery.

**JOHN CARBAUGH.** Will probated August, 1896. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, William H., Ballard P., and to Ellen, wife of his son, John Estill; to his daughters, Linnie Snyder (wife of Ballard Snyder), Margaret Hurt (wife of Henry Hurt) and Clifford Wallace (wife of Floyd Wallace); to children of his deceased son, Charles; to children of his deceased daughter, Ella, who married John A. Painter.

**E. H. BAILEY.** Will probated November, 1896. Devises his property to his wife, Cosby C. Bailey.

**NANCY H. TILLER.** Will probated November, 1896. Devises her property to her children, viz: James A., Martha D., Sarah E., Edward E., Rebecca Carter, Octavia Tabor, Charlotte Nash, John and David.

**NANCY M. RITTER.** Will probated January, 1897. Devises her property to her sister, Jemima Barnett; to Trustees for purpose of the "Gospel Ministry" in the Presbyterian, Lutheran and Methodist Churches in Burke's Garden.

**SUSAN DAWSON.** Will probated January, 1897. Devises her property to her husband, Benjamin Franklin and at his death to be



divided equally among her children, Margaret L. and Finy L. Dawson, only ones named.

SARAH W. MOORE. Will probated February, 1897. Devises her property to her son, Calvin M. Moore.

JAMES W. LOWE. Will probated January, 1897. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Louemma J. Lowe; to his sons, W. C., Fernandes, James M., and David C.; to his daughter, Susan Reed; to his grand-children, Cosby Jane, David B., Peter H., George and Lounita.

WILLIAM RUBLE. Will probated June, 1897. Devises his property to his sons: Calvin, Samuel A., and James E.; to the five children of his son, Calvin; and to Alberta Sarver.

THOMAS M. RATLIFF. Will probated August, 1897. Devises his property to his wife, Jennie I. Ratliff.

E. H. HARMAN. Will probated April, 1898. Devises his property to his five children: Etheline, Delpha, Jesse, Clarence and Walter.

MRS. M. B. VAIL. Will probated July, 1898. Devises her property as follows: "To Mr. Vail's namesakes": Shelby Gillespie, Robert S. Moss, Jimmy Thomas, Jimmy Vail Thornyson; to Alverta F. Moss, Jo. S. Moss, Jimmy Vail, Kate Gillespie and Sallie Thomas.

JOSEPHINE E. BLAND. Will probated September, 1898. Devises her property to her daughter, Ella B. Leslie and to her two oldest grand-daughters, Nettie E. David and Nannie Leslie.

ELIZABETH MCGUIRE. Will probated September, 1898. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, J. Marion and Floyd; to her daughter, Caroline Lockhart; to her grand-daughter, Ella Louisa (daughter of J. Marion and Louisa McGuire).

JACOB KINDER. Will probated January, 1899. Devises his property to his seven children: Stephen, Charity Emiline, Susan Farmer, Jemmima Cornell, John, Mary Jane and Jacob R.

ANTHONY CHRISTIAN. Will probated August, 1898. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Andrew J., Israel, John V., and Thomas V.; to his daughters, Catherine Jane and Elizabeth.

HARVEY ANDERSON. Will probated August, 1898. Devises his property to his daughter, Thursia Ann Anderson.

RUFUS BRITTAIN. Will probated May, 1899. Devises his property as follows: To his wife; to his children: R. Jennie Lewis, Joie T., H. P., John, Lewis E., and Robert.

**F. C. GREGORY.** Will probated May, 1899. Devises his property to his wife, Statira and to his unmarried children (names not given).

**FLETCHER FROE.** Will probated July, 1899. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sarah; to his sons, George W., Cheshire, and Andrew; to his daughter, Mariah.

**AUGUSTE LACOMTE.** Will probated September, 1899. Devises his property to his wife, Amanda.

**AGNES BAUGH.** Will probated October, 1899. Devises her property to Harvey W. Stowers; to his wife, Virginia Stowers and their heirs.

**JULIA M. LANCASTER.** Will probated November, 1899. Devises her property to her mother, Myra Ella Louthan and to her sister, Carrie G. Louthan.

**FIELDING K. ASBURY.** Will probated January, 1900. Devises his property to his daughters, Hannah and Meala Asbury; to his son, Thomas H.; and to his "remaining children" (names not given).

**WESLEY MCGUIRE.** Will probated February, 1900. Devises his property to his children: F. M. Jr., William, Mary, Margaret Griffiths, Linnie C. Jones; and grand-daughter, Margaret Barnes.

**L. C. MAYO.** Will probated March, 1900. Devises his property to his grand-daughter, Ethell Fleshman.

**MARY A. FROE.** Will probated March, 1900. Devises her property to her husband, David Froe, and to her six children: S. L., Joseph W., Charles L., Agnes G., Mary L., and Mattie D.

**D. B. GREEVER.** Will probated April, 1900. Devises his property to his wife, Polly; to his daughter-in-law, Hannah H. Greever and her daughter, Nancy Greever; to Campbell B. Greever, Thompson H. Greever, Ellen V. Kelso, and the heirs of Margaret Mahood.

**ISAAC WHITE.** Will probated August, 1900. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Rhoda Jane; to his daughter, Eliza Nash, and her heirs; to his son, Henry and his children, Gertrude Witchem, Robert Cheshire and Isaac Armand; and to his son, Charles.

**MOSES HANKINS.** Will probated August, 1900. Devises his property to his wife, Mary, and to his son, Luther.

**ADAM HEDRICK.** Will probated January, 1901. Devises his property as follows: To his son, Samuel G.; to Kate E. Hedrick, wife of S. G.; to his daughters: Eveline V. Gillespie (wife of Reese Gillespie); Margaret Jane Greever (wife of Charles H. Greever), and Cosby Ann Woods (wife of John H. Woods).



J. D. WRIGHT. Will probated January, 1901. Devises his property to his wife, Annie and to his sister, C. Crawford.

SUSAN J. THOMPSON. Will probated March, 1901. Devises her property to George W. Miller.

JANE S. TIFFANY. Will probated March, 1901. Devises her property to her daughter, Sarah Ann Gillespie; to her son, Samuel L. Moore; to her daughter, Maria J. St. Clair; her grand-son, Elias J. Hale, having been provided for.

THOMAS B. CRABTREE. Will probated July, 1901. Devises his property as follows: To his daughters, Jane Fox, Sarah Ann Gillespie; to his daughter, Flo Ann Thompson's children, Minerva, Bettie, George and Samuel; to his son, G. W. Crabtree.

DAVID A. NEEL. Will probated July, 1901. Devises his property to his wife, Elizabeth E.; to Cora B. and Ausker F. Neel.

KATHERINE KELLY WOOL. Will probated August, 1901. Devises her property to her husband, John E. Wool.

WILLIAM L. READ. Will probated August, 1901. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, Benjamin and W. E., to his daughter, Eliza, and to his grand-son, John M. Read.

JENNIE ELLEN HESS. Will probated October, 1901. Devises her property to her husband, Henry Hess.

JOHN G. WATTS. Will probated January, 1902. Devises his property to his wife, Florine and to his son, Bowen.

JOHN A. MCCALL. Will probated February, 1902. Devises his property to his children, viz: Mollie O. Place, John W., Jesse, R. G., Eliza R., George R., Nickati V. Kiser, James H. and T. E. McCall.

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BARBARY FOX. Will probated April, 1902. Devises her property to her niece, Margaret C. Fox; to her nephews, A. P. Fox and John T. Fox; and to Peter S. Fox.

JAMES SMITH. Will probated May, 1902. Devises his property to his wife, Susan; to his children: James H., Thomas C., Martha J., and Florence T. Smith.

B. J. FULLER. Will probated July, 1902. Devises his property to his wife (name not given).

FANNIE E. BAKER. Will probated August, 1902. Devises her property to her daughters: Emily E. Hankins, Rose C. and Maggie M. Baker.



J. R. WITTEN. Will probated October, 1902. Devises his property to his daughter, Nancy Jane Witten.

LEWIS HARRIS. Will probated November, 1902. Devises his property to his sons: Samuel, Harris, Isaac, Spencer, Daniel and Jackson; to his daughter, Margaret Harman.

JAS. BANDY. Will probated January, 1903. Devises his property to his wife, Sallie, and to his three daughters, Lula, Mollie and Nannie Bandy.

A. T. WARD. Will probated January, 1903. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, George, S. B., William A., and J. B.; to his daughter, Margaret E. George; to his grand-daughters, Mary Blair Ward, Mary Cecil Ward and Ella Ward.

SUSAN BUFFALOW. Will probated January, 1903. Devises her property to her daughters: Mrs. Ellen R. Tinsley, Mrs. Adeline F. Screener, Mrs. Susan W. Noles and Mrs. D. W. Dillon; to her sons, Ransome, R. H., and Floyd E.

O. B. BARNES. Will probated February, 1903. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary V. and to his children. Joseph, Amanda and Elizabeth.

S. H. LAIRD. Will probated February, 1903. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Rachel W.; to his children: Mrs. M. M. Ratliff, J. W., J. R., E. F., Coralie, Cassie and T. Oscar.

C. M. MOORE. Will probated March, 1903. Devises his property to his son, T. Bane Moore.

RACHEL BREWSTER. Will probated March, 1903. Devises her property to M. H. Beavers and James Beavers.

J. L. P. SPOTTS. Will probated. Devises her property as follows: To her grand-daughters, Jess M. Graham and Jean Graham to Mrs. A. J. May, Jr., R. S. Graham, Andrew May, Sam Graham, Don May, Jean May, Charlotte Spotts, Katie Graham and Sam May.

GEORGE KELLY. Will probated April, 1903. Devises his property to his wife; to his three daughters, Agnes R., Anne E. and Mary C. Kelly; to his sons: George V., Simon, Henry, Joseph and John F.

W. G. MUSTARD. Will probated April, 1903. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Ellen; to his daughter, May Mustard Bowen; to grand-son, Gratton Bowen; to adopted son, J. Powell Royall; to son-in-law, Henry S. Bowen; to brothers, J. J. and S. P.

JAMES B. PAINTER. Will probated May, 1903. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary J.; to his five children: Warren G., Jessie H., E. Temple, James A., and Charles S.; to his six children by his wife, Mary J.: William L., Ida G., Cary, Mary Fannie, George W., and Launa L.

A. J. MAY. Will probated May, 1903. Devises his property to his wife, N. B. D. May.

B. O. FRANKLIN. Will probated July, 1903. Devises his property to his wife, Nannie.

JAMES BAILEY. Will probated December, 1903. Devises his property to James W. Mays, Frank Mays and Willie Ann Mays.

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JOHN LAMBERT. Will probated August, 1838. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Priscilla; to his daughters, Mary, Patsy Paulley (wife of Jonathan Paulley), Joseph, John and Isaac, his sons; to his grand-daughter, Priscilla.

ADAM HARMAN. Will probated September, 1847. Devises his property as follows: To his brothers, Buse and Henry; to Henry H., James H., Jane and Louisa (children of his deceased brother William); to Louemma and James (children of his brother, Henry). Casper, one of his slaves, is freed; and to his nephew, William R. Harman.

THOMAS CHRISTIAN. Will published latter part of 1852. Devises his property to his wife; to his sons, George and Mathias; to his daughters, Susan, Sarah and Lilly.

JOHN CARTER. Will probated March, 1859. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Fanny; to his daughters, Hannah, Jane, Lucinda, Catherine and Violante; to his sons, William and Barnabas.

ISAAC DAILEY. Will probated March, 1861. Devises his property to his sons: Isaac Madison, Wilkerson W., Augustus F., James William, and Samuel C.

WILLIAM PERRY. Will probated September, 1874. Devises his property to his children: Wiate, Jonathan, Sally, Jane Poe, Jacob H., Isaac M., Ezra D., Frances Evans and Christine Ashley.

ELBERT C. SHANNON. Will probated May, 1882. Devises his property as follows: To John William (son of his brother, Joseph); to Laura Elizabeth, Margaret Ella, Mary Virginia (daughters of his brother, Joseph); to his sisters, Mary Ann Bailey and Elizabeth Nash; to Andrew J. Nash.



**RICHARD SMOOT.** Will probated August, 1882. Devises his property as follows: To his wife and children (names not given).

**JAMES M. COMPTON.** Will probated June, 1885. Devises his property to his children: Commodore P., Louisa V. Shawver, Newton F., Grayson S., Leonidas G. S., Darthula T. Stowers and Sarilda Compton.

**JAMES BOURNE.** Will probated May, 1887. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Martha; to his children, Thomas, Felix, Charles, Stephen, Harriet, Elizabeth, Sallie, Dorcas and the children of his deceased daughter, Lydia Chittix.

**W. W. HARMAN.** Will probated November, 1887. Devises his property to his wife, Polly H., and at her death to W. T. Hufford.

**DAVID TURLEY.** Will probated May, 1888. Devises his property as follows: To his two grand-sons, Andrew and James Vanhoozier; others mentioned in will are John Allen Turley, Rees Thompson Turley, Preston Vanhoozier, Ellen R. Vanhoozier.

**A. H. KANADY.** Will probated December, 1901. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Nancy L.; to Mrs. Fannie B. Arms (wife of John Arms) and her two children, Berta Ann and Thomas; to Nellie and Anderson McClure and their two children, Lane Josephus and Charles Erastus; to Mathew A. Waldron and May McClure.

**REUBEN CARTER.** Will probated December, 1901. Devises his property to his wife, Jane.

**BENJAMIN DICKENSON.** Will probated February, 1904. Devises his property to his wife, Catherine.

**ELLEN GREEN.** Will probated February, 1904. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, John, Allen P.; to her grandchildren, Tommie, Mary Jane, Jennie.

**J. F. WHITE.** Will probated February, 1904. Devises his property to W. B. F. White (nephew); to Jessie F. White (son of W. B. F.).

**J. M. COFFEE** of Graham. Will probated March, 1904. Devises his property to his wife, Mary Josephine.

**JAMES C. PEERY.** Will probated March, 1904. Devises his property to his children: James D., Samuel G., Mrs. Sallie Bundy, Mrs. Bell Taylor, Mrs. Laura Buchanan and Mrs. Josie Stultz.

**JAMES O'KEEFE.** Will probated April, 1904. Devises his property to his wife, Mary S.



JOHN ATWELL. Will probated April, 1904. Devises his property to his wife, Rebecca and to his children, James, Henry, Frank, Gum, and Mrs. Mattie McCoy.

THOMAS L. KNIGHT. Will probated August, 1904. Devises his property to his wife, Ollie A.

ROBERT MAXWELL. Will probated November, 1904. Devises his property as follows: To his children, Mary E. McNeil, Laura Yost, Charles J., James W., and Manervia J. Cecil; to daughter-in-law, Rhoda J. Maxwell; to grand-daughter, Mary Taylor.

THOMAS W. WITTEN. Will probated February, 1905. Devises his property to his children: Thomas A., Amanda M. Howard, Eliza E. Ireson, Raleigh M., S. A.; and to the heirs of Ella W. Smoot and Julia J. Hufford.

J. A. PEERY. Will probated February, 1905. Devises his property to his brother John and John's wife, Nannie and their daughters: Captolia, Nannie Ella and Pemelia.

SAMUEL GILLENWATERS. Will probated May, 1905. Devises his property to his wife, Lydia and to his nephew, John H. Gillenwaters.

JAMES S. PEERY. Will probated September, 1905. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mariah; to his nine children: The names of R. Brittain, Harvey G., Wilkerson W., William Edward and Sallie Vaught are the only names given.

JOSEPH B. SHANNON. Will probated September, 1905. Devises his property to his wife, Mary F.; to his children, John W., Laura E., and Margaret E.

J. H. SHANNON. Will probated September, 1905. Devises his property to his wife, Margaret, and to his five children. Hattie Dailey is the only name given.

WILLIAM HARRISSON. Will probated November, 1905. Devises his property to his wife, Ann Eliza. At her death to his nephew, Adam V. Harman.

PATTON J. LOCKHART. Will probated November, 1905. Devises his property to his wife, Caroline S. V.

A. F. WINGO. Will probated January, 1906. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Kansas; to his children, Annie Maude, Henry M., Stanley, Ollie V., Alice, and Hattie May Mulky.

WILLIAM A. WHITLEY. Will probated January, 1906. Devises his property to his wife, Cosby, and their four children (names not given).

CYNTHIA BANDY. Will probated January, 1906. Devises her property to her husband, David Bandy, and at his death to their children. Joseph, the youngest, only name mentioned.

POLLY HANKINS. Will probated February, 1906. Devises her property to her husband, Abel Hankins; at his death to her four sons, T. W., L. D., A. E., and E. W.

JOHN T. SPARKS. Will probated February, 1906. Devises his property to his wife, Elizabeth and to two daughters, Nannie and Bessie. Other six children having been provided for (names not given).

MRS. M. J. WHITE (nee Daugherty). Will probated, 1906. Devises her property to her mother, S. A. Dolan; to her four children, Mary A. Daugherty, Mrs. N. M. Griffith, D. A. Daugherty and E. G. Daugherty.

JOSHUA SPENCE. Will probated April, 1906. Devises his property to his daughter, Sarah.

DANIEL CARTER. Will probated April, 1906. Devises his property to his sons, viz: W. S., Ransome, C. A., and J. E.; to the heirs of T. M. Carter, H. G. Carter and J. T. Carter (deceased sons); to heirs of two deceased daughters, M. L. McMullin and L. V. Williams.

CHARLEY N. ELLIS. Will probated June, 1906. Devises his property to his wife, Laura B.

G. C. CRABTREE. Will probated August, 1906. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Susan; to his sons, J. R., G. H., A. G.; to his daughters, Ella, Mabel, and Susie.

ELLEN J. THOMPSON. Will probated September, 1906. Devises her property to her son Mitchell W. Thompson and to her three grand-daughters, Ellen Bertie, Mary L. and Julia J. Thompson.

I. M. DAILEY. Will probated January, 1907. Devises his property as follows: To grand-children: Robert Henry Peery and Nannie May Peery; to his daughter, M. A. Young; to his daughter-in-law, Ella J. Dailey (wife of John D.).

MARY F. HYMAN. Will probated December, 1906. Devises her property as follows: To her daughters, Recca, Emma, Sadie Silverstein and Eddie Hyman; to her son, Sol. Hyman; to her grand-daughter, Rhea Silverstein.

MRS. JENNIE SANDERS. Will probated February, 1907. Devises her property to Will H. Moss and to her sister, Mrs. Derushe Rosenbaum.



ROBERT MATISON WIMMER. Will probated February, 1907. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy Ann; to his sons, Preston and Rees.

JOSHUA LEIGH BROWN. Will probated March, 1907. Devises his property as follows: To his niece, Amanda M. Harman and to Charles T. Harman; to his niece, Albany S. Witten; to his nephew, William E. Brown; to Emily J. Reynolds, Julia Williams, S. J. Brown, H. Leigh Brown, Mary Jane Walker, Rev. James P. Brown, Robert Brown; to the two daughters of William Leigh Brown, deceased (names not known).

MARGARET CLARK of Pocahontas. Will probated April, 1907. Devises her property as follows: To her son, John Clark; to her grand-children, James Blair Clark, Emma Clay, Carl Finis McWuillin, William Clark and Arthur Clark.

F. T. CONNER. Will probated June, 1907. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jennie Bell and to their children (not named).

HENDERSON RATLIFFE. Will probated July, 1907. Devises his property to his wife, Letitia; to his children, William T., Matta, Julia and Mary.

J. J. BENBOW. Will probated October, 1906. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, A. A. Benbow; to his children. Mattie, Charles, J. P., only names given.

JOHN W. DANIEL. Will probated August, 1907. Devises his property to his wife, Rissie Virginia and to their six children, viz: Crockett L., Mary E. Effler, Charles Bowen, John W., Nannie L. and W. H.

R. R. DAVIS of Pocahontas. Will probated August, 1907. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lizzie; to his two daughters, Mary Lizzie and Russell Trula; to his sons, George and Charles.

JOHN THOMAS. Will signed July, 1907. (No date when probated.) Devises his property as follows: To his daughters, Mary A. Pruett, Elizabeth Harris; to his son, George R.; to his grand-children, Myrtie B. Young and Beverly B. Young (children of his deceased daughter, Nancy); to his deceased son, Andrew's children. Names not given.

SUSAN WATKINS. Will probated January, 1908. Devises her property as follows: To Sam Paxton and Selah Paxton, Robert



Watkins, Grant Watkins, Sally Coleman, Layfayette Watkins (her husband), Harriet Coleman, Bettie R. Bordon and Ben Watkins.

REESE SMITH. Will probated January, 1908. Devises his property to his wife, Rachel and at her death to their children. Not named.

JOHN N. WATKINS. Will probated February, 1908. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lydia J.; to his sons, John T., Charles T., George S., and Robert G.; to his daughter, Jennie F. Witten; to his servant, Mariah Watkins.

T. M. HAWKINS. Will probated April, 1908. Devises his property to his daughter, Nora Millard.

FRANK P. ANDERSON. Will probated April, 1908. Devises his property to his niece, Mary Agnes Anderson (daughter of J. Kemp Anderson).

JOHN W. CROCKETT. Will probated April, 1908. Devised his property to his wife and to their children, viz: Stella Gillespie, Robert O., Grace Gillespie and Goggin Crockett.

J. R. HAGER. Will signed April, 1908. Devises his property to his wife, M. J. Hager.

SAMUEL PEAK. Will signed January, 1908. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sarah; to his daughter, Mary J. McMeans; to grand-son, Samuel Foster McMeans. Other children of Mary McMeans, but not named.

ALBERT J. SPARKS. Will signed August, 1908. Devises his property to his sisters: Tase Sparks and Nancy Hall; to L. M. Catron and Mary his wife.

MARY L. HIGGINBOTHAM of Tip Top. Will probated October, 1908. Devises her property to her husband, Augustus Higginbotham.

JAMES H. CLAYTOR. Will probated January, 1909. Devises his property to his children: William, S. O., Rebecca J., Martha A. Smith, Mary A. Steele, Nancy V. Steele and Ella C. Claytor.

L. H. HORTON. Will probated January, 1909. Devises his property to his wife, Lena and their daughter, Rutha Horton.

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ALICE BLANKENSHIP. Will probated May, 1908. Devises her property to her son, Hubbard Patton. Ida Blankenship is mentioned.

ALEXANDER P. KELLY. Will probated March, 1909. Devises his property to his brother, Marvin K. Kelly.

G. W. YOST. Will probated April, 1909. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Harriet; to his sons, S. W., John W., P. A.; to R. G. Yost and Ada V. Richman, heirs of W. G. Yost, deceased.

SAMUEL T. LITZ. Will probated June, 1909. Devises his property to his wife, Sallie V. and to various religious and charitable organizations.

SUSAN R. HOWARD. Will probated June, 1909. Devises her property as follows: To her niece, Julia B. George; to T. E. George; to her sisters, Mrs. Pauline Kelly, Mrs. Lou Hicks, Mrs. Linnie Gillespie and Mrs. Maria Peery.

NANCY ELIZABETH BELCHER. Will probated July, 1909. Devises her property as follows: To her sister, Julia Bell; to Julia Ward Davidson and Jean Reid Davidson.

ALEX SMITH of Pocahontas. Will signed July, 1908. Devises his property to his wife, Cora.

MOSES W. HUMPHREY. Will probated July, 1909. Devises his property to his wife, Rose and to his son, Hugh.

WILLIAM L. SHAWVER. Will probated December, 1909. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Eleanor L.; to his children, viz: Jeanette C. Hash, Adam F., Armenlea A. Crabtree, Bettie B. McMullin, Titus I. Shawver's heirs, Bell McMullin and Cora Dills; to grand-son, Thomas Lewis Shawver.

ARAMINTA J. THOMPSON. Will probated January, 1910. Devises her property as follows: To her sister, Lizzie Devor; to her niece, Annie Baugh; to her nephew, Ed. Devor and to her brother, Jno. H. Hall.

NETTIE T. WITTEN. Will probated April, 1910. Devises her property to her brother, W. T. Witten.

P. P. DILLON of Pocahontas. Will probated June, 1910. Devises his property to his wife, Dennie W.

MARGARET B. HARRISSON. Will probated June, 1910. Devises her property as follows: To grand-daughter, Margaret (daughter of her son, James); and to Ida Christian.

MARGARET O. GILLESPIE. Will probated August, 1910. Devises her property as follows: To her husband, John W.; to her sons, Henry, Gratt and Newt; to her daughters, Emma, Bertie and Johanna Harman; and to her daughter-in-law, Blanche Gillespie.

MAYER KWASS of Pocahontas. Will probated September, 1910. Devises his property to his wife, Bertha.



ELIZA C. BALL. Will probated September, 1910. Devises her property as follows: To her children: J. F., C. E., Bertha Brown (wife of J. H. Brown), Josie Painter (wife of W. H. Painter) and Nora Ball; to her grand-children, Bessie, Walter J., William Jennings and Ula Hayton (children of J. L. Hayton).

JAMES A. REPASS. Will probated October, 1910. Devises his property to his wife, Jennie B., and to their children (names not given).

J. E. CARTER. Will probated November, 1910. Devises his property to his brother, Rans Carter and to his nieces, Stella and Bettie Williams.

GERTRUDE FISHER of Richlands. Will probated February, 1911. Devises her property to her husband, W. P. Fisher.

J. J. HARRIS. Will probated May, 1911. Devises his property to his wife, Ardelia L., and to their eight children, viz: L. B., J. L., Wm. C., J. T., Harman W., Gracie F., and Ada A.

J. G. BUNDY. Will probated May, 1911. Devises his property to his children: Karl L., William R., Laura V. and J. H. (only names mentioned of "my ten children").

ELIJAH BARNETT. Will probated. Devises his property to his wife, Shone; to Martha Shone Davidson; to his two children, Mary Jane and Moses C. Barnett.

WILLIAM H. KELLY. Will probated May, 1911. Devises his property to his wife, Rachel F.; to his sons, S. V., H. J., Jo. G., Gage Y., and to his grand-son Arch Young, son of his deceased daughter, C. A. Young.

MINNIE COX GRAHAM. Will probated June, 1911. Devises her property to her daughter, Katherine Elizabeth; to her half-sisters, Katherine and Lois Cox.

J. C. SPOTTS. Will probated September, 1911. Devises his property to Chapman H. Peery, George C. Peery, Mattie L. Peery and Bessie V. Peery.

G. W. BANDY. Will probated September, 1911. Devises his property to his wife, Mary Jane.

GEORGE HARRISSON. Will probated February, 1912. Devises his property to his wife, Eliza and their two children, John C. and Mary Combs (wife of William Combs).

LOUISA V. BROOKS. Will probated February, 1912. Devises her property to her children: Nancy Jemmison and R. S. Brooks; and to the children of her deceased daughter, Margaret J. Wilson.



MRS. N. L. MOSELEY of Richlands. Will probated February, 1912. Devises her property to her husband during his life; at his death to be divided among her children. Son, W. S. Moseley, only name mentioned.

OLLIE HARRISSON McCALL. Will probated February, 1912. Devises her property to her husband, H. G. McCall; to Ollie, William E., and Mary Margaret McCall, children of her deceased sister.

A. P. BROWN. Will probated May, 1912. Devises his property to his wife, Barbara Elizabeth.

MAGGIE E. ALEXANDER. Will probated July, 1912. Devises her property to her son-in-law, P. B. Allen and her nine children, viz: Harvey George, Bettie Aston, Theresa Buston, Charles L., James Frank, Lena S. Kitts, Flora Pansy Harman, Nannie A. Kilgore and John D., Jr.

JAMES CARTER. Will probated August, 1912. Devises his property to his brothers, John and Oscar, and to his sisters, Pina and Lucinda.

THOMAS A. LYNCH. Will probated September, 1912. Devises his property to his wife, Ida May; to children of his brother, Daniel, viz: Nellie, Eddie, May, Margaret, Mary and Daniel, Jr.

A. J. COPENHAVER. Will probated September, 1912. Devises his property as follows: To his wife ———; to his five sons, Robert M., R. P., J. O. D., Henry B., and Luther L.; to his grandson, William Andrew (son of Charles, deceased); to daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bettie Copenhaver.

R. B. TABOR. Will probated November, 1912. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth; to his children, Olivia Victoria, M. E., A. P.; to Freddie (son of Brown, deceased).

H. C. ALDERSON. Will probated November, 1912. Devises his property to his wife, Mary Chapman Alderson.

MRS. A. C. CORNWELL. Will probated December, 1912. Devises her property as follows: To her sisters, Lou Peery, Alice Peery; to her niece, Lizzie Peery; and to her nephews, Charlie Harman and Robert Harman.

JAMES D. HARRISSON. Will probated March, 1913. Devises his property to his wife, Sallie and to their children, viz: William Peery, Harvey George, Mary Olive and Margaret.

**SAMUEL T. HENINGER.** Will probated August, 1912. Devises his property as follows: To Virginia C. Heninger; to Mary V. Wilson, and to Lula May Wilson, Mary V. Wilson's little daughter.

**A. P. GILLESPIE.** Will probated August, 1913. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, and to their four children, viz: Nannie B. Peery, Albert J. Gillespie, Olivia M. Gillespie and William M. Gillespie.

**JAMES C. DICKENSON.** Will signed October 6, 1902. Probated 1913, month not mentioned. Devises his property as follows: To his two daughters, Florence Ellen and Dora W.; to sons, C. T. Dickenson, George E. Dickenson; to other children: Mary E. McClintock (wife of Geo. McClintock); to heirs of Cinthia Jane Crockett (who was the wife of John I. Crockett), Sofa Ann Stinson (wife of George Stinson), Mabel Steele (wife of Drayton Steele) and C. P. Dickenson.

**G. W. ASBERRY.** Will probated November, 1913. Devises his property to his children, viz: Joe, George, Sam, John, Nellie Swadder, and to heirs of Lizzie Sawyers, deceased daughter.

**C. C. FRENCH.** Will probated January, 1914. Devises his property to his wife, Nancy A.; to his children, viz: John S., Lou Ellen Tabor, Dora Bell Belcher, Cora W. Dudley and Shell E.

**KATE A. SMYTHE.** Will probated February, 1914. Devises her property to her sister, Martha R. Smythe.

**MRS. A. E. WITTEN.** Will probated February, 1914. Devises her property to her children, viz: Edward E., Annie Lou, Margaret Strother, Nannie May Greever and Jessie Clair.

**H. P. SHUFFLEBARGER.** Will probated March, 1914. Devises his property to his wife, Maggie E. and to Alice Simpson.

**GEO. W. FROE.** Will probated March, 1914. Devises his property to his sons, Martin A. and Andrew M., and to his five daughters (not named).

**ISRAEL CHRISTIAN.** Will probated March, 1914. Devises his property to his sister, Jane Christian.

**R. E. GOODMAN.** Will probated April, 1914. Devises his property to his "seven sisters" (names not given); to his brothers, Robert and W. T. and to his nephews, Clinton R. Goodman and W. T. Goodman.

**MARY JANE LANDON,** Pocahontas, Va. Will probated February, 1914. Devises her property to her husband, George H. Landon.



ISAAC G. SPRACHER, Burke's Garden. Will probated "—— day of ———, 1914." Devises his property to his sisters, Sallie Anne, Cinthia Jane, Lorena Spracher.

JULIA A. HALL, Burke's Garden. Will probated "the —— day of ———, 1914." Devises her property to her step-daughters, Missouri Neel and Louisa Bourne; to Laura Thompson and to her "legal heirs" (not named).

W. W. GEORGE. Will probated June, 1913. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary E.; to his two sons, John R. and Thomas E.

MADISON HELMANDOLLAR. Will probated July, 1914. Devises his property to his children, Bessie and Harvey.

GEORGE W. HENKLE. Will probated July, 1914. Devises his property to his four children, viz: Maggie E. Payne, Hattie L. Payne, Harvey P. Henkle and Lettie J. Henkle; and to his brother, James Henkle.

EMMY MACOM, Pocahontas, Va. Will probated ———, 1914. Devises her property to her children, viz: John, Letitia Peery (wife of A. S. Peery), Mag Faulkner and Sam Macom.

W. D. JONES, Gratton, Va. Will probated August, 1914. Devises his property to his wife, Annie E.

MARY B. CROCKETT. Will probated November, 1914. Devises her property as follows: To Henry Gaines; to Rose Peoples; to Martha Moore and Lillian Bogle.

ACHILLES JAMES TYNES. Will probated November, 1914. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Harriet L. and to his daughters, Frances M., Harriet S., Eliza B., Mary Lee Peery and Eva St. C. Laird; to his sons, Conrad Fudge, Buford C., Dr. Achilles L., and Lacy A.; to his daughter-in-law, Narcissa (wife of Conrad); to his grand-children: Achilles James (son of Conrad), Achilles Lacy (son of Dr. Achilles L.).

J. M. SHEPPARD. Will probated December, 1914. Devises his property to his wife, Allie C. Sheppard.

M. E. PEERY (wife of W. M. Peery). Will probated January, 1915. Devises her property to her two daughters, Mollie Buchanan (wife of Jno. W. Buchanan) and Lena Dodson (wife of James Dodson).

JAMES H. GILLESPIE. Will probated February, 1915. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary Jane; to his brother,



Thomas A. Gillespie; to Mary A. Taylor (daughter of his deceased sister, Martha L. Maxwell); to descendants of deceased sister, Mary Jane Dougherty; to son of deceased sister, Sallie W. Murrell; to descendants of deceased sister, Julia A. Hankins; to half-sister, Margaret Hankins; to half-sister, Louisa Cooley; to half-sister, Kate McGraw; to half-sister, Corrie Hopkins.

REBECCA CAROLINE WILLIAMS (nee Davis). Will probated April, 1915. Devises her property to Robert S. Williams and to his son, Harry Williams.

LOUISA B. RATLIFF. Will probated April, 1915. Devises her property to the children of her deceased daughter, Howard Edgar Hurt, viz: Ollie, Winnifred and Edgar.

ROBERT GILLESPIE. Will probated April, 1915. Devises his property to his five children, viz: T. S. Gillespie, Janet K. Baldwin, Nannie L. Baldwin, Mame S. Parker and Ella F. Bowling.

GEORGE BUSTON. Will probated May, 1915. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Ellen; to his children, Jameson, Harry L., Lucy E. Scott, Ada K. Cammack; and to the heirs of Susie C. Pobst, deceased daughter.

LOUISA G. BOWEN. Will probated May, 1915. Devises her property to her children, viz: Margaret E. Bowen, J. W., W. R., H. A. and J. C. Bowen.

REES B. CROCKETT. Will probated June, 1915. Devises his property to his sister, Ardelia Thompson; to his brother, Albert, and to his friend, Henry Gaines.

MAGGIE E. LESTER, Richlands, Va. Will probated August, 1915. Devises her property as follows: To her husband, John H. Lester; to her adopted daughter, Mamie Agnes Ashbrook Lester.

ARDELIA HARRIS. Will probated August, 1915. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, John L., Harman, Lycurgus B., William Cecil, Wert F., Jesse T., and to her daughters, Gracie Warren and Ada Harris.

G. T. FAULKNER of Springville. Will probated August, 1915. Devises his property to his four children, viz: F. M., G. A., C. S. and Viola Harris.

NANNIE L. HUNT. Will probated September, 1915. Devises her property to her husband, Joe H. Hunt.

R. R. HENRY. Will probated October, 1915. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lucy A. Henry; to his four sons,

Randolph, William Byrd, Robert E., and C. S. Ashbey; to his daughters, Charlotte Landon Henry, Lucy Henry Walker, and Aylette Buckner Henry; and to his grand-children, Robert Randolph Henry, Jr., and Frances Strother Henry (children of Randolph).

SALLIE STEELE. Will probated November, 1915. Devises her property to William Cecil, Mattie M. Cecil and Cynthia Cecil.

R. W. EMBREY. Will probated November, 1915. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lula J. Embrey; to his daughters, Katherine V. Embrey and Irene M. Derrick.

J. W. WOODS of Big Branch. Will probated November, 1915. Devises his property to Lillie Stuart, Mattie Crigger, Charlie Woods and Virgie Woods.

G. H. LANDON. Will probated November, 1915. Devises his property as follows: To his daughter, Pattie Block and granddaughter, Mary Action Block; to his five sons, Joshua A., A. W., F. P., T. W., and George S. Landon.

M. RUSSOK of Pocahontas. Will probated November, 1915. Devises his property to his wife, Rachel Gettel Russok. At her death, to his nephew, H. J. Ferimer.

ISAAC HARRIS. Will probated December, 1915. Devises his property to his son, Patton. Other heirs having been provided for (not named).

R. B. WITTEN. Will probated January, 1916. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Jennie; to his six sons, viz: Alex, Andrew, Walter, Teddy, Wilke and Ebenezer; to his six daughters, viz: Nannie Witten, Pauline Graham, Jennie Porter, Katy Watkins, Rachel Whitley, and Rose Charles.

JOHN JORDON of Graham. Will probated February, 1916. Devises his property to his wife, Ella Jordon.

MRS. A. E. WITTEN. Will reprobated February, 1916. Devises her property to her children, viz: Edward F., Annie Lou, Margaret Strother, Nannie May Greever and Jessie Clair.

W. P. PAYNE. Will probated July, 1916. Devises his property as follows: To his wife; to his children, viz: J. Payne, C. C. Payne, B. I. Payne, Amanda B. Young, Julia Bell Young; to his grand-children, Arthur Payne and Mirtle Payne.

GEORGE WILLIAM LITZ. Will probated August, 1916. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Ethel W.; to his daughters, Helen Elizabeth and Georgia; to brothers, Joseph F., P. G., D. H.,



and James G.; to Mrs. Annie Sluss (wife of his nephew); to his sisters, Sallie McGuire, Kate Smoot and Nannie Sluss; to Ella Litz (wife of D. H.); to Manny, Susie, Helen, and Sallie (children of deceased brother, S. T.); to Mrs. Wakefield (his wife's mother); to Kate and George McGuire (children of his sister, Sallie); to Kathleen and George Litz (children of his brother, D. H.); to George Smoot (son of sister, Kate Smoot); to George Sluss (son of his sister Nannie); to the four children of his Uncle Samuel L. Thompson.

ELIZA M. GILDERSLEEVE. Will probated August, 1916. Devises her property to her sister, Martie R. Witten.

MRS. LAURA B. ELLIS of Indian. Will probated August, 1916. Devises her property to her daughters, Inez Russell (wife of Wm. Russell), Ella and Stella Ellis.

JAMES HOWARD HANSHEW. Will probated ———, 1916. Devises his property to his mother, Rhoda Jane Hanshaw.

ISABELLA JANE MEEK. Will probated November, 1916. Devises her property to her grand-son, Meek McGinnis.

JOHN CALVIN GREEAR. Will probated November, 1916. Devises his property as follows: To his sons, C. H., T. M., R. E., W. B., E. M., and C. B.; to his daughters, Mrs. Cora E. Hurt, Mrs. R. E. Butt, Mrs. M. A. Faulkner; and to Victor, Joisa and Bessie Gross—children of deceased daughter, Jennie Grose.

MARY B. YOUNG. Will probated November, 1916. Devises her property to Mary B. Brewer and Willetta A. Scott.

SALLIE ANN SPRACHER, Burke's Garden. Will probated ———, 1916. Devises her property to her brother, I. G. Spracher and to her sisters, Cintha Jane and Lorena C.

WILLIAM L. SPRACHER, Graham. Will probated December, 1916. Devises his property to his wife, Ann L.; to his children, viz: Kate, Dave B., James T., John P., and Jennie Graybeal.

WILLIAM D. DAVIS, Burke's Garden. Will probated December, 1916. Devises his property to his children, viz: Addison W., W. L. R., Harriet M., A. Chrismon, Sarah L. C., Willie P., and Cosby M. E. Pruett.

J. E. WHITLEY. Will probated January, 1917. Devises his property to his daughter, Ella Ireson (wife of R. H. Ireson); to grand-daughters, Rose Vaughter, Maggie Whitley and Nannie Bell Whitley; to his great-grand-daughter, Frances Williamson; and to his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Cosby Whitley.



JAMES S. WHITLEY. Will probated March, 1917. Devises his property as follows: To his daughters, Mrs. Florence Keister, Mrs. Maggie Witten, Mrs. Sarah Moore, Mrs. Lou Jones, heirs of Mrs. Mollie Graham, deceased, and to his son, Reese.

MARY J. GILLESPIE, Richlands. Will probated March, 1917. Devises her property to her brother, John C. Matney and to Nina Frances White (wife of Roy T. White).

JOSIE STIEREN. Will probated March, 1917. Devises her property to Eliza J. Stevenson and to Board of Trustees of M. E. Church and to Board of Church Extension of M. E. Church, South.

W. M. MINTER. Will probated May, 1917. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Annie R.; to his mother (name not given); to his children, viz: Bessie L. Lindsey, William E., Charlie S., Annie Belle and W. M., Jr.

REES T. BOWEN. Will probated June, 1917. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary A.; to his four sons, H. S., T. C., R. T. Jr., and S. C.; to his four daughters, Sallie L. Thompson, Jennie B. Royall, Rachel A. Bowen and Mary C. Bowen.

B. B. GREEVER. Will probated July, 1917. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Helen C.; to his children, John H., W. C., Annie M., Mrs. Clair Pyott and Helen C. Baldwin; to Jake and Georgie Greever (children of deceased son, J. Tate Greever).

GEORGE W. GILLESPIE, JR. Will probated ———, 1917. Devises his property to his eight sisters (not named) and one brother, James A. Gillespie.

ELIZA C. SMYTHE. Will probated August, 1917. Devises her property as follows: To her husband, H. M. Smythe; to her nephew, Robert O. Morgan; Col. Wm. King of Lynchburg; to old colored servant, Charles Powers; to V. B. Gilmer of Lebanon; to Andrew Doss.

F. M. MOSS. Will dated "August 11, 1917." Devises his property to his wife, Mollie S. and to his eight children—William Oscar, only one named.

E. L. DAVIS. Will probated September, 1917. Devises property to Mrs. Minnie Absher and to "Gideon and Sallie."

GEORGE R. SURFACE. Will probated September, 1917. Devises his property to his wife, Ann Elizabeth, and to their son, H. S. Surface.

C. W. CROCKETT. Will probated October, 1917. Devises his property to his wife (not named); to his children, J. P., Trula Peerv, Bettie J. Peters and Margaret E. Harris, and to his granddaughter, Thelma Peters.

A. WHITT. Will probated October, 1917. Devises his property as follows: To his children, W. S., Amanda B. Beavers, son, M. and to the children of deceased daughter, Cinthia Brown.

S. A. BILLIPS. Will probated January, 1918. Devises his property to his children, viz: Augustus, R. J., James D., W. G., Christena Elizabeth Myers, Sallie Evans, Walter M. and Luther.

W. E. BAYLOR. Will probated February, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To his wife (not named); to his children, Flora Lee Baylor, John Ward, Mary Ella, Samuel Edwin and James Thompson.

T. E. GEORGE. Will probated March, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To his mother, Julia B. George; to his niece, Julia Langhorn Appleton, daughter of his sister, Nellie George Appleton; and to Thomas Edwin George, oldest son of his brother, Oscar George.

DELILAH COMPTON. Will probated March, 1918. Devises her property to the following: Her children, H. B., Chas. and Cinthia Jane Harry; to the children of her daughter, Zirelda Wysong; to the children of her daughter, Dora Lusk; to her grand-son, Robert Compton, son of Winfield Compton.

EVILINE THOMPSON. Will probated April, 1918. Devises her property as follows: To her husband, William Thompson; to her sons, Edgar and Howery, and to her grand-son, Eugene Matney.

RINDY HELBERT. Will probated June, 1918. Devises her property as follows: To her children, Mary Bell Davis, Clinton Brown, Lizzie Alley, Harvey Brown, Eliza Brown.

MARILDA MITCHELL. Will probated August, 1918. Devises her property to J. B. and Sally Spence and their two children, Annie and James J. Spence.

CHARLES G. KENDRICK, Richlands. Will probated August, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Goldie; to his daughter, Mae Fehry Kendrick; to his sister, Mrs. Mollie D. Hurt.

JACOB BALL. Will probated September, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To Alice Tate Ball; to daughters, Nora M. Ball and to "the rest of the children" (not named).



THOMAS HARRISSON. Will probated September, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Sarah A.; to his eight children, Dicie, George T., Arch, Hannah Earls, Lawrence, James B., Thomas F., and Havy S.

J. R. GILDERSLEEVE. Will probated November, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To children of his sister, Emma Howard, viz: Loulie H., Bruce, Nellie H. Harrisson, Charles St. John Howard, and Emma Howard; to great niece, Emma Beck; to children of brother, Basil L. Gildersleeve, viz: Raleigh C. and Emma Lane; to children of his brother, Benjamin Gildersleeve, viz: Man-nie L., Virginia Taylor, Benjamin, Jr., Grace, Nellie Kirby, Bess Russell, and B. G.; to great niece, Ashby Taylor; to children of sister, Mrs. J. F. Pratt, deceased, viz: Kate Webb, Louise Wiley, Henry, B. G., and Paul; to children of brother, G. S. Gildersleeve, viz: John R. Jr., Emma Umbarger, Nellie Peery, Sallie Tarter, Laura Cofer, B. E., Bess Kelly and to G. S., Jr.

ELIZABETH TWIGG. Will probated November, 1918. Devises her property to her husband, J. R. Twigg.

S. C. BOWEN. Will probated December, 1918. Devises his property as follows: To his mother, Mary A.; to the children of his brother, H. S., viz: Grat M., Mary Ellen, Louisa McDonald, Rees Tate and H. S., Jr.; to his sister, Sallie Thompson and her children, viz: Harry L. and Rees Bowen; to brother, T. C. and his children, Meek Hoge, Maria Cecil, and Rees Tate; to Rees T. (brother) and Annie Moseley Bowen; to sister, Jennie Royall, and her children, viz: Mary Christian, Rachel Louise, Bowen and Samuel; to sister, Rachel Bowen; to sister, Mary E. Bowen and her children, viz: Henry, Mary Crockett, Rees Smith, and William Joseph.

GEORGE W. MOSS. Will probated January, 1919. Devises his property as follows: To his wife (not named) and to his children, viz: W. H., F. J., Nannie Rose Peery, Mary H. Moss and Charles R.

JAMES G. HIGGINBOTHAM. Will probated February, 1919. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Laura J.; to his son, Thos. J.; to his grand-son James Clark Brown (son of deceased daughter, Lena May Brown).

J. W. HICKS, Graham. Will probated March, 1919. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Lula J.; and to his three children, viz: Mittie S., Mrs. Rosalie W. Cook and J. Ward.



MALINDA J. SMITH, Raven. Will probated April, 1919. Devises her property to J. B. Smith.

A. TATE HARMAN. Will probated April, 1919. Devises his property to his wife, Sinda and to their children (not named).

G. S. GILDERSLEEVE, Gratton. Will probated May, 1919. Devises his property to his wife, L. G. Gildersleeve.

MARTHY JANE ALLISON. Will probated May, 1919. Devises her property to her husband, Samuel F. Allison.

KATE C. PEERY. Will probated July, 1919. Devises her property as follows: To her children, S. C., W. E., J. C., and Annie P. Martin; to grand-children, viz: Thomas Richie Peery, S. C., Jr., Eleanor Josephine Peery, Katie Peery, Louise Martin, Edward Peery, Virginia Peery, Louise Peery, Catherine Peery; to her daughters-in-law, Sallie May, Josie, Nellie and son-in-law George A. Martin; to her grand-nieces, Mrs. Kate Campbell, her daughter, Kathleen and Fanny Gibbony.

JOHN BARNS. Will probated July, 1919. Devises his property to his wife, Margaret and to India V. Moore.

JULIA A. GRAHAM. Will probated July, 1919. Devises her property to her children, viz: Barbara P. Boothe, Edward Greever Graham and Joseph B. Graham.

JESSEE MONDAY. Will probated July, 1919. Devises his property to his wife, Vicy, and to his children, viz: Margaret A. Yost, John W., William B., Jessee, Jr., Joseph C., Julia Deskins, Minnie Waldron; to grand-sons, Jessee, James, and Robert Brown (sons of daughter, Lee Monday Brown).

REBECCA STEPHENSON, Cedar Bluff. Will probated July, 1919. Devises her property to her husband, J. Benton Stephenson, and to her three youngest brothers, John W., W. Frank, and Dr. Raleigh Witten Whitt.

LENNA WALTERS BAIRD. Will probated July, 1919. Devises her property to her husband, Philip Logan Baird, to distribute as requested.

RADFORD H. HAWLEY. Will probated September, 1919. Devises his property to Ella M. McDowell.

THOMAS A. GILLESPIE. Will probated October, 1919. Devises his property to his wife, Jane and to his grand-daughters, Lucille and Mary Wynne.

RUFUS A. GILLESPIE. Will probated November, 1919. Devises his property as follows: To his son, James A.; to his granddaughter, Pansy Gillespie; and to his housekeeper, Rachel Stinson; to his "eight daughters" (not named).

MARGARET STEVENSON. Will probated December, 1919. Devises her property to her children, viz: Josie Cummings, Rosa Butler, Mattie Brewer, John, William and Irving.

ELIZABETH C. YATES. Will probated December, 1919. Devises her property to her children, America Whitaker, Florence Jennings and S. A. Yates.

THOMAS B. DENNEN. Will probated January, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Jane and to his children, viz: Josephine, John, William, Christopher, Alfred and Alice.

C. T. AND AMANDA HARMAN, his wife, Pike Co., Ky. Will probated March, 1920. Devise their property to their children, viz: Etta Harman Smith, Ethel Harman, W. W., R. L. and to their daughter-in-law, Merrill Harman (wife of Sidney H.).

MARY GILL. Will probated March, 1920. Devises her property to her cousins, J. D. and Gus Billips of Tip Top, Va.

SAM WALTON. Will probated March, 1920. Devises his property as follows: To his wife (not named); to Walton Suddith, Nannie K. Suddith, John D. Cline, Robert Anderson, Warren W. Cline, Lee J. Barbee, Sr., Mary W. Boissean.

E. J. McDILDA. Will probated May, 1920. Devises her property to her grand-daughter, Mrs. Margie E. Helmondollar (formerly Margie E. McDilda).

HARMAN NEWBERRY of Bland Co., Va. Will probated August, 1915. Devises his property to his children, viz: L. M., W. A. T., Josie Peery (wife of W. E. Peery) and Ida Barnes (wife of W. O. Barnes).

A. F. DAILEY. Will probated April, 1920. Devises his property to his children, M. K., O. W., John, H. B., Arthur, R. E., R. H., I. W., Sallie Howery, Joana Fox, and Ida L. Turner.

P. H. WILLIAMS, Richlands, Va. Will probated April, 1920. Devises his property as follows: To his sister, Margaret J. Spurlock and her husband, Sanders Spurlock; to Carl Spurlock, Ollie Spurlock; to great nieces, Ollie Rosseau, Winnie Hurt, and Edgar Meek; to Carrie Kees; to the heirs of C. P. Williams; to nephew, Dr. W. R. Williams.



JOHN C. COOPER. Will probated April, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Julia V. Cooper.

GEORGE W. PATTON. Will probated May, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Rebecca Patton.

EMALINE D. PIERCE. Will probated July, 1920. Devises her property as follows: To her sons, Isaac, David and James; to her daughter, Martha Pierce Herndon; to children of her son, Isaac, viz: Eugene, William and Emaline.

RACHEL McNEW. Will probated July, 1920. Devises her property to her daughter, Lizzie Perdue.

J. WALTER GRAYBEAL. Will probated August, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Bertha B. Graybeal.

J. D. DAILEY. Will probated September, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Ella J. and to his son, Ben Tom.

J. S. GILLESPIE. Will probated September, 1920. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary E.; to son, W. J.; to daughter, Nanola Peery (wife of T. Ritchie Peery); to Ora Lewis.

G. H. BUCHANAN. Will probated September, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Julia and to their children, viz: Blanch Sutherland, Grace Buchanan Thompson, William Franklin Buchanan and Nannie Rose Buchanan.

JOSEPH M. ROSE. Will probated September, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Jidia Rose, and to his children, viz: Sallie A. Rye, Mary A. Marrs, Edward A. and William A. Rose.

LAURA A. HILTON. Will probated September, 1920. Devises her property to her husband, Charles T. and to her children, viz: James R., Bell Phipps, Fanny Lockhart, Claud, Ugene, Janney, Clint and William.

A. J. MAY. Will probated June, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Lucy, and to their children, viz: William Andrew, Jean May Johnson, Samuel Byrd, Donald Graham and James Edwin.

JAMES T. MOORE. Will probated October, 1920. Devises his property to his wife, Sallie A.; to his daughters, Ora Virginia Tabor, Martha India Wingo and Margaret E. Scott.

ALICE NEDERMAIER. Will probated November, 1920. Devises her property to her children, viz: Theodore, Robert, Henry, Addie Parks, Mary Bird and Freda Yankow.

HUMPHREY WISDOM. Will probated November, 1920. Devises his property to Nannie Temple, Lucy J. Staley, Julia Davis, Pearl



R. ———, Agnes T. Wisdom and Lettie Wisdom; to his sons, Emory and Ambrose.

SAMUEL WILLIAMS. Will probated January, 1921. Devises his property to his daughter, Amanda Matilda Williams.

THOMAS HANKINS. Will probated April, 1921. Devises his property to his wife, Margaret E. Hankins.

W. W. PEERY. Will probated April, 1921. Devises his property to his daughter, Julia Bell Peery, and to the "other children," names not given.

T. H. DAVIS, Richlands, Va. Will probated April, 1921. Devises his property to his wife, Lillie B. and to his three sons, viz: T. H., Jr., Robert Everett, and Julian Angus.

SAMUEL M. HARVEY, Graham, Va. Will probated June, 1921. Devises his property to his wife, Susan; to his daughter, Lillie R. St. Clair.

J. P. KROLL. Will probated (in W. Va., July, 1921), September, 1921. Devises his property to his wife, Lou M. Bowen Kroll, and to his son, Wilford Don.

C. H. WITTEN. Will probated August, 1921. Devises his property to his wife, Mary L. Witten.

LILLIE C. HARMAN. Will probated October, 1921. Devises her property to her husband, John M. Harman.

G. W. DOAK. Will probated October, 1921. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Rose A. Doak; to his nieces, viz: Mary Letitia Morgan, Sarah Doak Lucas, Lettie Thompson Robinson, Alice Thompson Dunn, Hallie ——— (formerly Hallie Thompson), Mary E. Kiser, Mattie White; to his nephews, Frank, James, Walter and Russ Thompson and James R. Doak.

SARAH J. KIRTNER. Will probated November, 1921. Devises her property to her daughters, Emma E. Vass, Mary B. McReynolds, Sarah J. Ramey, Myrtle A. Dooley.

OLLIE E. GOODMAN. Will probated December, 1921. Devises her property to her five sisters, viz: Susan, Jennie, Nannie, Sallie and Margaret; and to her brother, Robert.

MARGARET JOHNSON. Will dated October 17, 1921. Devises her property to Elizabeth Hess (wife of Ed. Hess) and Nora Belle Huston (wife of E. R. Huston).

FELIX BOURNE. Will probated January, 1922. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Elizabeth S.; to his children,

viz: James C., William A., Samuel W., Felix E., Joseph N., Nannie Y. Kinser, Lizzie S. Cox, Laura A. Cox and Martha Repass; to the children of his deceased daughter, Maggie J. Brooks; to grand-son, George R. Gregory.

ALEXANDER REYNOLDS. Will probated February, 1922. Devises his property as follows: To R. E. French; to daughters, Cora French, Clara E. Tabor, Mary Harman, Ada Nippers, Grace French; to Frank Reynolds French.

D. W. LYNCH. Will probated February, 1922. Devises his property to his wife, Mary Lynch and son, Dan W., Jr.

ELIZABETH PROFFIT, Richlands. Will probated ———, 1922. Devises her property to her grand-children, Pearlie Elizabeth Reedy (daughter of Ida), Joseph Hogston (son of Mollie), Mary Ellen Keen (daughter of Sallie) and to her daughter, Sallie Keen.

CALEB SMITH, Jewell Ridge. Will probated March, 1922. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Martha; to Henry Rufus Smith, R. M. Smith, Susan E. Smith, Laura Alice Griffiths, Linnie White, Sallie Joyce, Louise Elswick, Lillie Pruett; to estates of Lizzie Joyce, W. M. Smith and John M. Smith, deceased.

PEEL HARMAN. Will probated April, 1922. Devises his property to his children, viz: Forest Marrs, Pearlie May, Robert Peel, Charles Rufus and Mary Dovie Day.

MRS. MILDRED LITCHFORD, Pocahontas, Va. Will probated May, 1922. Devises her property to her children, viz: Joseph E., John H., Mrs. Bessie L. Sowers, Mrs. Kate L. Harman and Mrs. Minnie Litchford Griffith.

J. T. HOPKINS. Will probated May, 1922. Devises his property to his wife, Bessie and to their three children, viz: Frank, Thelma and Oscar.

THERESA J. PAYNE. Will probated June, 1922. Devises her property to her children, viz: Amanda B. Young, Julia Belle Young and C. C. Payne.

GUSSIE S. BOWEN. Will probated June, 1922. Devises her property to her children, viz: Rees T., Jennie O'Brien and Ellen S. Bowen; to her grand-children, Sarah Augusta, Louise Stuart, Margaret, Lenabell, Rees Tate and George Bowen (children of Rees T. Bowen).



CYNTHIA J. WYNNE. Will probated June, 1922. Devises her property as follows: To Lafayette T., Margaret T. J. Fox, Sarah E. J. Felty, William J., and Edward J.; to Analara C. Brown and Dewey Shorts.

HARRIETT L. TYNES. Will probated July, 1922. Devises her property to her children, viz: Mrs. Mary Lee Peery, Frances Moorman Tynes, Harriett Spottswood Tynes, Dr. Achilles Lyons Tynes, Lacy A., Conrad Fudge, Mrs. Eva St. C. Laird, Eliza Isabel Tynes and Buford C. Tynes.

JOHN M. MOORE, Pocahontas (intestate). List of heirs July, 1922: Widow, Sarah L.; children, Francis C., J. O., and O. B. Moore.

TROY H. ROSS, Graham (intestate). List of heirs July, 1922: Father, Thomas W.; mother, Mary V.; sisters, Bertha G. Cassell and Annie E. Simpson, and brother, Cecil O. Ross.

ROBERT P. HARMAN (intestate)—List of heirs July, 1922: Widow, Fannie; son, Charles H.; daughters, Sallie Hayes Brown, Josie Harman, Maria P. Harman, Eula Hicks and Lena Hunt.

E. H. SCOTT (intestate)—List of heirs August, 1922: Widow, Willetta Scott; children, Lena Scott Perkins and John C. Scott.

W. LESLIE CREGAR (intestate)—List of heirs August, 1922: Widow, Julia May Cregar; children, Barney William, Thurman Lester and Robert Allen Cregar.

MRS. JANE LESTER (intestate)—Heir August, 1922: William Sylvester Lester.

WALTER D. LOVELL (intestate)—Heirs August, 1922: Widow, Aribell S. Lovell and daughter, Elsie Marie Lovell.

BEN READ (intestate)—Heir September, 1922: Brother, William E. Read.

SALLIE C. BROWN. Will probated September, 1922. Devises her property to her husband, C. R. Brown and to their children, viz: C. R. Brown, Jr., Mary Brown May and May Brown Peery.

FLOYD R. WIDENER (intestate)—List of heirs October, 1922: Lena May, John W. and Nannie Widener.

BEN R. MOSS. Will probated October, 1922. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Mary Louise; to his children, Sallie May Moore, W. G., Maude Virginia, Mary Louise, Ben R., Jr., Vinton R.; to grand-children, viz: Vance, Earl, Lena, Mamie and



Ralph Stowers (children of deceased daughter, Florence), Ellen, Pat, Katherine, William and Nellie May Peery (children of deceased daughter, Annie).

JOHN C. PRUETT. Will probated November, 1922. Devises his property as follows: To his wife, Susan E.; his son, Maxwell A.; his daughters, Etta G. Hayes, Fannie A. Crouse, Ida M. Brewster, Nancy J. Hayes, Susie M. E. Conner and son, John Harrisson; and to his grand-son, William Harvey Pruett.

NELLIE S. ASCUE. Probated 1922. Devising her property to her children, not naming them.

ELIZA G. IRESON. Probated 1922. Devised her property to Thomas W. Ireson and Willie Hufford Wallace.

T. W. WHITAKER (died intestate 1922)—List of heirs: Henderson Whitaker, Celia Day, Nanie Whitaker, Doak Whitaker, Roy Whitaker and M. S. Whitaker.

ANNIE KELLY (died intestate 1922)—List of heirs: George V. Kelly, Simon Kelly, Rosa Kelly, Henry Kelly, J. R. Kelly, Mamie Kelly, Lena Page, Mary Pendleton, J. G. Kelly.

ELMUS KELLY (died intestate 1922)—List of heirs: W. L. Bailey, Martha J. Lambert, J. S. Bailey's heirs, Victoria Walker's heirs, Sarah Hurst's heirs, R. A. McComas heirs.

JAMES H. LUTTRELL (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Elizabeth A. Jones, T. M. Luttrell.

JULINA FRANCIS MOORE (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: George T. Moore, Mrs. W. I. Sperry.

S. C. GRAHAM. Probated 1923. Devised property to Mrs. S. C. Graham, Jesse M. Graham, Jean Kilby, Katherine Elizabeth Stuart, Robert S. Graham, Samuel Graham.

CLINT B. ASCUE (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Mrs. Willie Ascue, Henry Steele Ascue, Nell Margaret Ascue.

JAMES C. BOURNE (died intestate 1923)—Ora V. Bourne, Jesse P. Bourne, George G. Bourne, Trubie T. Bourne, Myrtle Eberling, Gratton B. Bourne, Marshall C. Bourne, Arthur H. Bourne, Reese Bourne.

BURRELL SMITH (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Polly Ann Brady, George P. Smith, Luther B. Smith, Sallie Patterson, Elijah Smith, Melesia Sparks, Ernest Smith, Wm. Brady.

W. A. BUCHANAN. Probated 1923. Devised property to Sallie J. Buchanan, Mrs. Sallie Lottie Williams, J. E. Buchanan.

J. B. STEPHENSON (intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Joseph H. Stephenson, Kermih Ball.

LORENA C. SPRACHER. Probated 1923. Devised her property to Isaac G. Spracher, Sallie Ann and Curtia Spracher.

N. W. KISER. Probated 1923. Devised property to Rosa Bell Kiser, Annie McCall, Lou C. Miller, A. G. Kiser, M. H. Kiser.

ELEANOR T. THOMPSON (intestate 1923)—List of heirs: W. T. Thompson, Cleo T. Peery, Walter E. Thompson, W. Archie Thompson, M. Thompson, Louana T. Buchanan, Alice T. Peery.

CHARLES K. WAGNER (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Mrs. Rebecca Wagner, Bernard Wagner, Emanuel Wagner, Sylvia Wagner, Sidney Wagner.

JOHN SMITH (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Leonard Smith, Noale Smith, Mrs. Lula Smith.

SENDER LUBLINER (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Hannah Lubliner, Mrs. Pearl Grief, S. J. Lubliner, Louie Lubliner, A. J. Lubliner, Mrs. Ida Leff, Miss Esther Lubliner, Mrs. Selma Lubliner.

H. J. WINGO (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Lucie A. Wingo, John Wingo, Maggie Wingo.

MRS. MARY S. O'KEEFE. Probated 1923. Devised her property to Jessie C. O'Keefe, Lathrop O'Keefe.

JAMES A. C. HARMAN. Probated 1923. Devised his property to Nettie E. Harman, Mrs. Rose E. Crockett, Virginia Irene, Nannie Rose Crockett, Hester Harman, Mrs. R. L. Hutchins, Mrs. Nancy J. Shepherd.

EVA HENKLE (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: J. C. Henkle, Robert A. Henkle, Charles Henkle and Grace Henkle.

DAVE FOWLER (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Lester Fowler, Jane Fowler.

ELIZABETH COOPER (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: J. Albert Hagy, George W. Hagy, Jos. A. Hagy, Victoria Repass.

J. H. SIMPSON (died intestate)—List of heirs: J. W. Simpson, I. W. Simpson, G. E. Simpson, F. B. Simpson, W. M. Simpson, and children of Ann Rudd.

GEORGE W. WYNN (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Mrs. Margaret Browne Wynn, Mrs. Hannah M. Heldreth, Mrs. Ida Ellen Neel, Levi L. Wynn, Benjamin G. Wynn, Allen L. Wynn,



George W. Neel, Mrs. Carrie M. Abbott, Andrew J. Neel, A. H. Short, Edna Elizabeth Short, Essie Mae Short, George E. Short, Grace Short.

SALLIE H. IRVINE. Probated 1923. Devised her property to Charles R. Irvine, Charles R. Irvine, Jr., Virginia H. Taylor.

M. J. BEAVERS. Probated 1923. Devised property to Martha Beavers, Moses Jackson Deskins, George Washington Deskins, Mary Deskins, Lou Ann Beavers, Herbert Beavers, Jack Hagerman.

MRS. HARRIET YOST (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: John W. Yost, P. A. Yost, S. W. Yost, Ada V. Rickman, R. G. Yost.

WILLIAM M. DAVIS (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Sara Davis, Hulda Davis, Robert A. Davis.

GEORGE R. THOMAS (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Rosa E. Smith, Lyda C. Marsh, Helen F. Betterman, Claude Thomas, Mercer E. Thomas, Walter L. Thomas.

MARY E. GILLESPIE. Probated, 1923. Devised her property to Nanola G. Peery, Mary Hope Gillespie, W. J. Gillespie.

MRS. ROSA PACK. (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: John R. Pack, Ella Whitaker, Brooks Pack, Robert Pack, Thelma Christian, Helen Pack, John Pack, Jr.

CHARLES F. YATES (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Mrs. Janie Gray Yates, Eula May Yates, Wallace Gray Yates, Charles Robert Yates.

JAMES M. GILPIN. Probated 1923. Devised property to George W. Gilpin, Fannie Clark, Jesse M. Gilpin, John L. Gilpin.

S. LOU GILLESPIE (died intestate 1923)—Heirs, W. T. Gillespie, Anita G. Jackson.

GEORGE W. GILLESPIE. Probated 1923. Devised property to W. T. Gillespie, H. P. Brittain, Sallie Brittain, Barbara Brittain, Margaret Brittain, Ollie Kate Brittain, Rufus Brittain, George Robert Brittain, Barns Gillespie, David C. Gillespie, H. J. Kelly, Margaret B. Kelly, R. K. Gillespie, Ollie L. Hurt.

DOLLIE COLLINS (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Maggie Collins, Pollie E. Brown, Mattie B. Dillow.

GEORGE W. LEWIS. Probated 1923. Devises property to Lucinda V. Lewis, and all children, Clarence, Ernest, Arthur, Robert, Ada L. Kiser, Lucy and Trula Lewis.



ADDIE B. NIDERMAIER (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: R. K., Ellen, Marjorie, Jessie and Addie Nidermaier.

MARTHA COSBY BROOKS. Probated 1923. Devised property to Maggie Hilt.

W. H. NEWTON (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Mrs. Mary Bowser, Miss Laura Newton, Vernon Newton, Frank Newton, Edward Newton, Welthia Newton.

MARY MEEK BAILEY. Probated 1923. Devised property to James Armour Bailey.

ALBERT CROCKETT (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Ardelia Thompson, Rhoda Thomas, Mary Calloway, Sid Campbell, Valore Hatch, Clay Hatch, Capy Shell, Charley Trigg, George, Henry, Reese, Mary, Ardelia and Joseph Trigg, Lelia Jones, Virgie Thompson and Demp Trigg.

GEORGE W. KINDER (died intestate 1923)—List of heirs: Robert Kinder, Mrs. Gillie Stevenson, Estelle Kinder, Vicie Gillespie, Jennie Edwards, Charlie Kinder, Frank Kinder, Mrs. Nannie Kinder Stonebraker, Mrs. Mattie Kinder, George, Dan Kinder, Kelsie Kinder, Paul Kinder, Herbert Kinder.

PARIS EDWARD CROUSE. Probated 1925. Devised property to Susan Crouse.

S. W. WELCH (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mrs. Ruth Welch, Clyde Welch, Learia Welch, Ethel Shelton, Mabel Welch, Roy Welch, Annie Welch.

W. L. SHRADER (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Laura B. Shrader, P. G. Shrader.

C. A. NEIKIRK (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Cassie E. Neikirk, Samuel G. Neikirk, Harry E. Neikirk.

G. W. RILEY. Probated 1924. Devised property to G. D. Riley, M. L. Shrader, Mrs. S. M. Brewster, Mrs. M. J. Barrett, J. A. Riley, B. F. Riley, Martela Hardy.

BEN S. COE (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mrs. Avie Coe, Elmo Coe.

W. F. HARMAN. Probated 1824. Devised property to his wife, Amelia G. Harman; to sons, Sayers F. Harman and C. Henry Harman; to grand-children, William French, Eleanor A., Lillian M., Nancy L., Katherine, C. H., Jr., and Tish Harman.

JOHN E. ELSWICK. Probated 1924. Devised property to Isabelle Elswick.

W. E. GILLESPIE (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mrs. Alice W. Gillespie, Joseph B. Gillespie, Alice Elizabeth Gillespie, Archie W. Gillespie, William Edward Gillespie, Mildred Marie Gillespie.

W. G. ANDERSON (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mrs. Mamie M. Anderson, Hallie, Willie, Verlie, Buford, Ruley, Shirley, Winnis and Nona Anderson.

CHARLES SABO (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Julia Kolesar, Dora, Mary, John Sabo.

WILLIAM MITCHELL. Probated 1924. Devised property to Elizabeth Alston Beall Mitchell, William Mitchell, Jr., H. M. Mitchell, Arthur Hayne Mitchell, Rosa Land Mitchell, Arthur Hayne Mitchell, Jr., Francis Beall Mitchell.

THOMAS N. WILLIAMSON. Probated 1924. Devised property to Ellen Claibourne Williamson.

JOHN M. RATLIFF (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mrs. Viola E. Ratliff, John Marion Ratliff, Jr., James Gilmore Ratliff.

JACK SMITH (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Rachel Smith.

C. E. HARMAN (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mrs. Dovie Harman, C. E. Harman, Jr., Rosie May Harman, Daisy Belle Harman, Erlene Harman.

JAMES W. BELTON. Probated 1924. Devised property to Mrs. Fannie Belton, Irvin L. Belton, Walter Belton, Audry Belton, Lena Belton, Marvin Belton, Claude Belton, Corine Belton, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Compton, J. A. Patrick.

GEORGE B. RATLIFF. Probated 1924. Devised property to H. B. Ratliff, Virgil Keel, Helen Keel.

MARY E. GILLESPIE (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Lennie Hagy, T. P. Gillespie, H. P. Gillespie, Walter S. Gillespie, Kelly Gillespie.

JOHN M. HONAKER (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Evens Honaker, Montreville Honaker, Emmeline Yates, Mary Hankins, Lydia Ford, Ida Rasnack, Martin Honaker, Charlie Honaker, Thomas Honaker, Rufus Honaker, Henry Honaker, Roley Honaker, Dewey Honaker.

T. RUFUS JOYCE (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Mary Jane Joyce, William, John W., George, Rufus W. Witten, R. N., Mrs. Maggie Stevenson, Mrs. Katherine Ratliff, Oscar Joyce, Mrs. Alice Vance.

DOMINICK BERKLEY. Probated 1924. Devised property to Mrs. Bessie Butner.

PHILLIP GRIEF (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Joseph, Rudolph, Alexander Harry, Benjamine Grief, Mrs. Sarah Richard.

MARY KATHERINE PHILPOT (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Cora Lee Philpot, Jessie McKay Philpot.

JOHN GRAHAM. Probated 1924. Devised property to John Graham, Jr., Joseph Beale Graham, David Livingston Graham, Mrs. J. Hutchinson Scott.

O. M. FERRILL. Probated 1924. Devised property to Roy Ferrill, Bud Ferrill, and divided among sixteen children.

J. MEEK HOGE. Probated 1924. Devised property to Maria J. Hoge, J. Nannie Hoge Bowen, Maggie Hoge and children of W. Jeff Hoge.

JONATHAN BOYD (died intestate 1924—List of heirs: Mollie E. Dodd, Julia A. F. Boyd, Clarence Boyd.

R. L. MEREDITH (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Minnie B. Meredith, Hattie Kinder, Ethel Ashford, Cora Wimmer, Robert Mox, Jesse, Walter, Mamie, Grace, Carl, Fred, Harold Meredith.

CHARLES McDOWELL. Probated 1924. Devised property to Mary McDowell, Trula McDowell, Lelia Compton, Bert McDowell.

REES W. HOWERY. Probated 1924. Devised property to M. J. Howery, Wade, Jesse, John, Rees, Alex, Dennis, Tom, Charlie, Davidson, Annie, Ella Margaret and Mamie Howery.

HENRY B. HOOKER (died intestate)—List of heirs: Nannie B. Hooker, W. D. Hooker, Lucy Stephenson, G. C. Hooker, Hallie McGlothlin, Margie Hooker, W. C. Hooker, Clara Boardwine, Frank, Kay, Margaret and Roger Hooker.

MARIAH L. DUDLEY (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: W. L. Dudley, W. T. Dudley, H. J. Dudley, J. R. Dudley.

WILLIAM HENRY DUNIGAN (died intestate 1924)—List of heirs: Julia P. Dunigan, L. H. Dunigan, Mrs. Josephine D. Counts, A. B., Jessie M., W. L. and Holland Dunigan.

#### PETITION TO ESTABLISH TOWN.

This Petition, found after publication of Vol. I, is here inserted.  
"December 9, 1800.

"To the honorable the Speaker and gentlemen of the General Assembly of Virginia.



The petition of Sundry Inhabitants of the County of Tazewell; respectfully prayeth. That your honorable house would be pleased to pass an act for establishing a town in the county aforesaid; as the same is now laid off in lotts and streets—upon the land given by William Peery and Samuel Furgeson, to said county for the purpose of erecting the public buildings of said county. The Town to be called and known by the name of ————— and to be under such rules and regulations as are usual in Semular cases.

And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

David Ward	Wm. Smyth
Robert Smith	Thos. Ferguson
Thomas Gillespy	Wm. Gillespy
Saml. Young	H. Bowen
Joseph Ward	Robert Belsher
Joshua Morrison	Robt. Higginbotham
Rees Gillespy	Wm. Asberry
Lemaster Cooksey	James Ward
Wm. Garrison	Britton Smyth
John Goodwin	Wm. Kelly
Robt. Barns	Henry Harman, Junr.
Rees Bowen	Mathias Harman, Junr.
John Belcher	Hezekiah Harman, Junr.
Jno. Smyth	George Asberry
Benj. Morrison	John Ward."
Saml. Smyth	

# Soldiers Of Three Wars

## CHAPTER VII

### ROSTERS OF REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS.

We are indebted to Mrs. Virginia H. Greever, of Chilhowie, Va., for the following roster. She says: "These names were indistinct with age and it took considerable time to decipher them. This record has not been published before. It was found among the papers saved when the Yankees burned the Court House in Abingdon, Virginia, during the War Between the States."

*Arthr. Campbell.*

Arthers, John.

Beatie, William; Berry, William; Bennett, Bullen; Berry, Thomas; Beatie, Dave.

Cusic, John.

Dryden, Dav.; Davis, John; Davis, Sam.

Evelton (?) Jas.

Fletcher (?) Wm.; Fraiser, John.

Grimes, John; Griever, Phillip.

Hall, Jesse; Henniger, Conrad; Huston, Wm; Hambleton, Sam.

Kincannon (?); F. (?); Kincannon, Geo.

Lewis, Aaron; Levingston, Wm.

Moore, Wm.

Porterfield, Jas.

Robinson, Dav.

Sharp, Ben.; Scott, Jason.

*Wm. Russell.*

Anderson, Wm.; Allison, Matt (Chas.); Arthers, John; Acklin, Cr.

Buchanan, Moses; Benham, Jno.; Blackburn, Wm.; Beatie, Frank; Blackburn, Jas.; Beatie, Dav'd.; Beatie, Wm.; Buchanan, Ad.; Beatie Dave; Buckley, Chas.; Bowman, Isaiah; Bradley, Jno.; Bradley, James; Buchanan, Geo. (Gro.); Brooks, Henry; Bond, Wm.; Bullan, Bennett.

Craig, Wm.; Cusick, John; Cowan, Andr.; Craig, Rob.; Caswell, And.; Campbell, Jas.; Cowan, Wm.; Cotter, Wm.; Campbell, Jos.; Clark, Geo.; Crow, James; Cummings, Chas; Crabtree, Abr.; Campbell, Wm.; Craighead, Thos. Brown; Cole, Joseph; Colville, Jas.

Denny, Pat.; Dean, Shad; Doren, Jas.; Douglass, Jas.; Davidson, An.; Dickenson, Henry; Dorin Jas.; Deppity, Alexr.; Dickenson, Jas.

Edmondson, Co. Wm.; Evans, Dan.; Edmiston, Sam.; Evans, And.

Fryley, Fred.; Fowler, John; Funkhouser, Jh.; Faris, Edwd.; Frost, Sam.; Flippe, Wm.; Fraizor, John; Frost, Joseph; Fred Elijah.

Gray, Jos.; Grimes, John; Griever, Phillip; Gamble, Geo.; Gollipper, Wl.; Galipher, Wm.; Gilmore, Wm.; Greenway, Jno.; Goodman, Jacob.

Hayter, Abm.; Halfacre, Mac.; Huston, Bob.; Henninger, Conrad; Harrold, Jas.; Holoman And'w.; Hale, Fred.; Hays, Chas.; Hilliard, Jas.; Hammond, Sam'l.; Huston, Wm.; Hambleton, Sam.; Halliard, Wm.; Hays, Jno.; Huston, John.

Kelly, Ezr.; Keys, Ben.; Kirk, John; Kincannon, Frank; Kincannon, F. Senr.; Kincannon, Geo.; Kincannon, Jas.; Kincaid, Rob.; Kerr, John; Kendrick, Pat.

Langdon, Jon.; Lewis, Aaron; Lee, Charley; Leviston, Wm.; Lowry, Davd.; Linton, Solomon; Lowry, Wm.; Logan, James; Long, Richd.; Lillard, Edwd.

Meek, Sam'l.; McGlothlin, Rob.; Maxwell, Jas.; Montgomery, Thos.; McCormick, Jas.; McCawley, Jno.; Mumpower, Peter; Moore, Wm.; Maxwell, Jos. (Jno.); McCullough, Jno.; Montgomery, Alexr.; Montgomery, Sam.; McMullen, Alexr.; Mobley, John; Montgomery, Robt.; McKinnie, Colin; McNew, Geo.; Meek, Isaac; Meek, Thos.; McMullen, Henry; McCawley ———; Moore,

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Newell, Saml.; Newland, Abrm.

Ovilton, Jas.; Owens, John.; Orr, John.

Preston, Rob.; Preston, Walter.

Ramey, John; Reid, John; Robinson, Dave; Robinson, John; Rush, James; Ramey (Reanny), Dan.

Sharp, John; Smith, Alexr.; Scott, Sam.; Smith, Wm.; Smith, James; Snodgrass, Wm.; Shelby, Moses; Scott, John.

Thomas, John; Tate, Jno.; Tate, Robt.; Trimble, Robt.; Trimble, John.

Vance, James; Vance, John.



Webb, John; Woodrough, Jesse; Watson, Wm.; Watson, David;  
Wier, Jas.; Willoughby, Matt.

Young, Jas.; Young Danl.; Young John; Young, Abm.

*Jno. Berry.*

Alexander, Wm.; Alexander, Ol.

Berry, Geo.; Berry Thos.; Berry, James; Beatie, Dave; Berry,  
Wm.

Campbell, James; Colwell, John.

Dixon, Wm.; Duff, Saml.; Dryden, Dav.; Duff, Wm.; Doeglass,  
Jas.; Dryden, David; Duff, Rob.; Dorin, Alexr.

Edmondson, Thos.; Evans, Sam.; Evans, Jos.

Gilliand, Jas.

Hope, Jas.; Hammond, Thos.; Henry, Saml.; Hope, John;  
Hope, Adam; Hope, Thomas.

Keys, James; Kerr, Adam.

Lowery, James; Lowery, Davd.

McMooren, Jno.; McSpadden, Sam.; McGee, Sam.; McSpadden,  
Mos.; McCroskey, John; McDaniel, Wm.; McCullum, Thos.

Porterfield, Jas; Poston, Richd.

Ramsey, Wm.

Stewart, Rob.

Thomas, John.

Weir, Sam.; Williamson, Jas.; Weir, Jas.; Wright, Jas.; Woods,  
John; Woods, Geo.; Willoughby, An.; Williby, And. Junr.

*Hen'y Smith.*

Acklin, Cr.

Berry, Geo.; Beckley, Chas.; Bowman, Isaiah; Bradley, Jas.;  
Brooks, Henry; Beatie, Wm.; Beatie, John.

Cowan, Andw.; Campbell, John; Caswell, And.; Campbell, Jas.;  
Cowan, Wm.; Cotter, Wm.; Campbell, Jas. (Jos.); Cummins, Chas.;  
Crabtree, Abm.

Denny, Pat.; Dickenson, Henry; Deputy, Alexr.; Dickenson,  
Jas.

Evans, Jas.; Evans, Dav.; Edmiston, Sam.

Fryley, Fred.; Fowler, John; Faris, Edw.; Frost, Simion; Frost,  
Joseph; Frost, Elijah.

Gamble, Moses.

Hayter, Abm.; Halfarce, Mc.; Hale, Hesse.; Hale, Fred.; Hays, Chas.; Hyter, Wm.

Kelly, Bz.; Kilcannon, Andw.; Kerr, John; Kincannon, Jas.; Kincaid, Rob.; Kerr, John; Kincannon, Frank.

Lee, Chesley; Litton, Solomon; Logan, James; Long, Rich.

McCullough, Robt.; McCullough, Jno.; Mobley, John; McNew, Geo.

Newell, Saml.; Newland, Abm.

Poston, Richard; Preston, Rob.

Ramey, John; Reed, John; Robinson, Jas.

Sharp, John; Scott, Sam.; Smith, Wm.; Smith, James; Snodgrass, Wm.; Shelby, Moses; Sharp, Ben.; Stewart, John.

Trimble, John.

Vance, James; Vance, John; Vance, Sam.

Webb, John; Watson, Wm.; Watson, David.

Young, Jas.

*Jas. Montgomery.*

Anderson, Wm.; Alexander, Wm.; Allison, Mat.; Alexander, Wm.

Buchanan, Wes.; Beatie, Dave; Benham, Jno.; Blackburn, Wm.; Beatie, Frank; Blackburn, Jos.; Beatie, Dav.; Berry, James; Buchanan, An.; Bradley, John; Bradley, Jno.; Buchanan, Geo.; Bond, Wm.

Craig, Wm.; Campbell, John; Craig, Rob.; Colewell, John; Collihher, Mc.; Clarke, Geo.; Crow, James; Campbell, Wm.; Cole, Jos.; Colvill, Jos.; Craighead, Thos. Brown; Campbell, James.

Dixon, Wm.; Dean, Shad.; Dorin, James; Duff, Wm.; Dryden, Dave; Davis, John; Davis, Sam; Davidson, And.; Duff, Rob.; Dorin, Jas.; Dorin, Alexr.; Duff, Sam.

Edmondson, Co. Wm.; Evans, And.; Evans, Sam.; Edmondson, Thos.; Funkhouser, Jno.

Gray, Jas.; Gamble, Geo.; Gallehher, Wm.; Gilleland Jas.; Gamble, Moses; Gilmore, Wm.; Greenaway, Jno.; Goodman, Jacob.

Houston, Rob.; Hope, Jas.; Harrold, Jas.; Halliard, Jas.; Henry, Saml.; Hope, John; Hope, Adam; Halliad, Wm.; Hope, Thos.; Houston, John.

Keys, Ben.; Keys, Jas.; Kerr, Adam; Kendrick, Pat.; Keys, John; Kerr, Wm.

Langden, Jas.; Lowry, Jas.; Lowry, Wm.; Leilliard, Edwd.

Meek, Sam.; McGloughlin, Rob.; Maxwell, Jas.; Montgomery, Thos.; McCormick, Jas.; McMorin, Jno.; McCullough, Rob.; McCauley, John; McSpadden, Sam; McGee, Sam; Mumpower, Peter; Maxwell, John; McSpadden, Mose; McCroskey, Jno.; McDaniel, Wm.; Montgomery, Alexr.; Montgomery, Sam.; McMillen, Alexr.; McCollum, Thos.; Montgomery, Robt.; McThebie, Colin; Meek, Isaac; Meek, Thos.; McMullen, Hen.; Moore, Alexr.; McCawley, Jas.

Orr, John; Owens, John.

Preston, Walter.

Ramey, Wm.; Rush, James; Ramey, Dan.

Smith, Alexr.; Stewart, Rob.; Steele, John.

Tate, Robt.; Trimble, Rob.; Thomas, John; Tate, Jno.

Vance, Sam.

Wise, Sam.; Williamson, Jas.; Weir, Jas.; Woodrough, Jesse; Wright, Jas.; Woods, John; Woods, Geo.; Willoughby, Ad.; Willoughby, Matt.; Willoughby, Wm.; Willoughby, And., Jr.; White, Sam.

Young, Daniel; Young, John; Young, Abm.

The following list of Revolutionary Soldiers is copied from History of Southwest Virginia—Washington County, by Summers:

Allen, Moses.

Alexander, Jeremiah, Kings Mt.

Alexander, Oliver, Kings Mt.

Anderson, Jacob, Kings Mt.

Anderson, John, Kings Mt.

Buckner, William, Va. Line.

Burke, John, 1st Maryland Regt. and 9th Va. Regt.

Barker, Edmund, Kings Mt., Va. Continental.

Barker, Enoch, Kings Mt.

Barker, Charles, Kings Mt.

Barker, Joel, Kings Mt.

Barker, Edward, Kings Mt.

Barker, Henry, Kings Mt.

Blackburn, Arthur, Kings Mt.

Blackburn, John, Kings Mt.

Blackburn, Joseph, Kings Mt.

Blackmore, John, Kings Mt.

Bowen, John, Kings Mt. (son of Rees).



- Bowen, William, Capt., Kings Mt.  
Bowen, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Bowen, Henry, Kings Mt.  
Bowen, Charles, Kings Mt.  
Bowen, Rees, Kings Mt., Lieutenant—killed. Commanded a Co.  
Bowen, Arthur, Kings Mt., Captain.  
Browning, Enas, Kings Mt.  
Brown, Michael, Kings Mt.  
Boran, Basil, Kings Mt.  
Brush, Enoch.  
Bishop, Levi, Ensign, Kings Mt.  
Brown, Low.  
Bolling, Jarrett.  
Brooks, William.  
Beard, Richard, 1st Va. Regiment, Captain of Campbell's Co.  
Berry, Bradley, 4th Va. Regiment, died in service at Yellow Springs,  
Pa.  
Blackmore, William, Ensign, Kings Mt.  
Burney, William, Kings, Mt.  
Bickley, Charles, Kings Mt.  
Benning, Benoni, Kings Mt., wounded 3 times.  
Bullen, William, Kings Mt.  
Beane, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Buchanan, Samuel, Kings Mt.  
Buchanan, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Buchanan, John, Captain Continental Line, killed 1777.  
Breckenbridge, Alex, Kings Mt., Captain Continental Line, Russell's  
Regiment.  
Breckenridge, George, Kings Mt., 12 years old.  
Breckenridge, John, Kings Mt.  
Black, Joseph, Kings Mt.  
Barnes, Alexander, Kings Mt., Captain.  
Bartlett, William, Kings Mt., Lieutenant.  
Barnett, Alexander, Kings Mt., Captain.  
  
Carson, David, Kings Mt.  
Craig, James, Kings Mt.  
Corry, James, Kings Mt., killed.  
Colley, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Campbell, David, Kings Mt.  
Campbell, William, Jr., Kings Mt.  
Cock, James, Kings Mt.  
Cock, Charles, Kings Mt.  
Carpenter, John, Kings Mt.  
Craig, John, Captain, Kings Mt.  
Craig, David, Kings Mt.  
Colvill, Andrew, Captain, Kings Mt.  
Colvill, Samuel, Kings Mt., wounded. Died November 20, 1780.  
Campbell, Robert, Kings Mt., Ensign. Wounded Long Island.  
Campbell, Hugh, Kings Mt.  
Campbell, Patrick, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.  
Curry, James, Kings Mt.  
Cook, Henry, 2nd Va. Regiment.  
Conn, W. Y., North Carolina Militia.  
Cline, Andrew, Va. Militia.  
Crunk, William, King's Mt.  
Cole, Hugh, died in Continental Service.  
Crawford, John R.  
Carmack, William.  
Cock, William, Captain, battle Long Island Flats.  
Carson, John.  
Colvitt, Joseph, S. C.  
Cole, William.  
Cole, Thomas, Kings Mt.  
Cunningham, Jonathan.  
Cunningham, William.  
Cuddy, James.  
Cuddy, John.  
Crabtree, James, Captain, Kings Mt.  
Crabtree, Jacob.  
Cope, John, Kings Mt., substitute for Mathias Harman.  
Caldwell, Thomas, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.  
Casey, William.  
Crockett, William.  
Crock, William, Ensign, Kings Mt.

Davidson, Daniel, Ensign, Kings Mt.  
Davidson, William, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.

Davenport, Claiborne, 7th & 5th Va. Regiments.  
Doran, Terrance, 9th & 1st Va. Regiments.  
Dunkin, John, prisoner in Canada.  
Dryden, Nathaniel, Ensign, Kings Mt., killed.  
Dryden, William, Kings Mt.  
Dryden, James, Kings Mt.  
Dolberry, Lytton.  
Dysart, James, Captain, Kings Mt.  
Dickerson, Henry, Pvt.-Capt., Colvill's Co., Kings Mt.  
Dennison, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Dorton, William, Jr., Kings Mt.  
Dorton, Moses, Kings Mt. Horse killed, Whitsill's Mill.  
Davis, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Douglas, Jonathan, Kings Mt. Wounded accidentally.  
Darnel, David, Kings Mt., wounded.  
Duck, Samuel, Kings Mt.  
Davis Nathaniel, Kings Mt.  
Dunn, Samuel, Continental Line at Yorktown.

Edmiston, William, Kings Mt., Captain—killed.  
Edmiston, Robert, Jr., Kings Mt., Lieutenant—killed.  
Edmiston, Andrew, Kings Mt., Captain—killed.  
Estill, Benjamin.  
Eakin, William.  
Evans, Evan, Kings Mt.  
Ely, William, Kings Mt.  
Edmiston, John, Kings Mt.  
England, John, Va. Continental.  
Elder, Robert.  
Edmiston, Thomas, Kings Mt.  
Edmiston, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Edmiston, William, Major, Kings Mt.  
Elliott, James, Captain—killed in service, 1780.

Finley, John, wounded Long Island Flats.  
Fleenor, Michael, Va. Militia.  
Fleenor, Joel, Kings Mt.  
Fleenor, Charles, Kings Mt.  
Fulkerson, James, Captain, Kings Mt.



Fulkerson, Richard, Kings Mt.

Fisher, Frederick, Kings Mt., wounded.

Fowler, William, Kings Mt., killed.

Fowler, James, Kings Mt., noted scout under Col. Wm. Russel. Ft.  
Blair.

Fields, William, Va. Militia.

Frazer, Daniel, Kings Mt.

Faris, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Francis, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Freeman, William, Va. Line.

Fletcher, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Finley, George, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.

Fork, William, Kings Mt.

Gervis, James, 9th Va. Regiment.

Gist, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Gilbert, Samuel.

Gray, Alexander.

Galliher, Joel, Kings Mt., horse killed in fight.

Gillespie, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Gist, Nathaniel, Kings Mt., killed.

Given, James, Kings Mt.

Gist, Richard, Kings Mt.

Gibson, John, Kings Mt.

Gibson, George, Kings Mt.

Gibson, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Graham, James, Kings Mt.

Grimes, James, Kings Mt.

Gobble, Christian, Maryland Militia.

Greer, William, Kings Mt.

Grier, John, Kings Mt.

Goff, Andrew, Ensign, Kings Mt.

Goff, William, Kings Mt.

Harrell, Reuben, Kings Mt.

Henegar, Henry, Kings Mt., killed.

Henegar, Jacob, Kings Mt., Ensign.

Henegar, John, Kings Mt.

Hyce, Leonard, Kings Mt., wounded.

Hayter, Israel, Kings Mt., wounded.  
Hobbs, Thomas, Kings Mt. and Cherokee Exped., wounded.  
Hamilton, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Hemphill, Charles, Kings Mt.  
Higginbotham, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Howard, William, Kings Mt.  
Hinds, William, 2nd Regiment Artillery.  
Hunsucker, Abraham, N. C. Militia.  
Humphreys, Robert, Va. State Line.  
Henderson, John, Kings Mt.  
Heliot, Solomon, 2nd Va. Regiment.  
Henry, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Hortenstine, Abraham, Kings Mt.  
Hunt, Zachariah.  
Harris, Nathaniel.  
Hughes, Peter.  
Hillan, James, N. C. Line, Kings Mt.  
Hobbs, Ezekiel.  
Hamilton, Alexander.  
Hughes, Samuel.  
Hamilton, John, Va. Continental.  
Hampton, John.  
Hundley, Samuel, Kings Mt.  
Hughes, John.  
Hamonds, Abraham.  
Hensley, Samuel, Kings Mt.  
Harkleroad, Henry, Kings Mt.  
Hays, Samuel, Kings Mt.  
Houston, James, Kings Mt., Ensign.

Johnston, Samual, Kings Mt., Va. State Troops.  
Jamison, John, Kings Mt., Ensign.  
Jenkins, Thomas, Kings Mt.  
Jenkins, William, Kings Mt.  
Johnston, Peter, Lee's Legion.

Keeps, James, Sergeant, Kings Mt.  
Kilgore, Charles, Kings Mt.  
Kincannon, Andrew, Kings Mt., Lieutenant.

Kincannorn Mathew, Kings Mt., Ensign.

Kendrick, Solomon, Kings Mt.

Kelly, John.

Kennedy, Moses, Va. Line, 4-19-1780.

Kennedy, Robert, Officer Troop of Horse.

Kennedy, John, Kings Mt.

Kinthead, John, Kings Mt., Captain.

Leonard, Robert, 2nd Va. Regiment.

Leonard, Henry, 2nd Va. Regiment.

Lusk, William, Kings Mt.

Low, Henry, 5th Md. Regt., 1776—War, 1812.

Litton, John, Kings Mt.

Leckie, William, Va. Militia.

Laird, John, Kings Mt., Color Sargent—killed.

Laird, James, Kings Mt., killed.

Laird, David, Kings Mt.

Leonard, George, Kings Mt.

Lynn, Adam, Kings Mt.

Lindsay, John.

Lyon, Humberson, Kings Mt., Lieutenant—killed.

Leonard, Frederick, Kings Mt.

Lawson, William, Kings Mt.

Lewis, John, Kings Mt.

Loyd, John, Kings Mt. and Va. Militia.

Long, William, Kings Mt.

Lowry, John, 2nd Lieutenant, Kings Mt.

Latham, John, Kings Mt.

Leeper, James, 2nd Lieutenant, Kings Mt.

Looney, Moses, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.

Looney, John, Kings Mt.

Lyon, William, Kings Mt.

Looney, Robert, Ensign, Kings Mt.

Livingston, David, Kings Mt.

Moore, Arthur.

Main, Tobias, Ensign, Kings Mt.

Maxwell, Nathaniel, Penn. Militia.

Moss, Matthew.



McKinley, John.  
McCulloch, Thomas, Kings Mt., Lieutenant—killed.  
Montgomery, Richard, Kings Mt., Va. Militia.  
McLain, Thomas.  
Morgan, Robert.  
Murdock, John, Va. Line.  
McGhee, Thomas.  
Mills, Francis, Va. Line.  
Marion, Samuel.  
Morgan, Thomas, Disabled 5-20-'76.  
McNutt, Alexander, Kings Mt.  
Musser, John.  
McGochlin, John.  
Mobley, Francis.  
Miller, John.  
McConnell, Abram, Kings Mt.  
McGlochlin, Charles.  
Maxwell, Thomas, Kings Mt.  
Martin, William, Kings Mt.  
McClelland, Abraham, Kings Mt.  
McFerrin, John, Ensign, Kings Mt.  
McDonald, Magnus, Kings Mt., N. C. Militia.  
McMillen, William, Kings Mt.  
McHenry, John, Kings Mt.  
McCutcheon, William, Kings Mt.  
McFarland, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Maxwell, George, Captain, Kings Mt.  
Maxwell, James, Kings Mt.  
McCutcheon, John, Kings Mt.  
McCutcheon, Samule, Kings Mt.  
  
Neely, Robert.  
Newell, Samuel, Sr., Kings Mt.  
Neel, William, Captain, Kings Mt.  
Newland, Isaac, Ensign.  
  
Oney, Joseph.  
Outlaw, Alexander, Kings Mt.  
Owens, Robert, Kings Mt.

Pirtle, George, Ensign, Kings Mt.  
Pitman, William, Kings Mt.  
Perrin, Joseph, Kings Mt.  
Phillips, James, Ensign, Kings Mt.—killed.  
Purviance, William, Kings Mt.  
Piper, James, Kings Mt.  
Pippin, Robert, Va. Militia, Kings Mt.  
Perry, Solomon, Kings Mt.  
Pitts, Lewis, Kings Mt.  
Price, James, Kings Mt.  
Price, Thomas, Kings Mt.  
Phillips, Samuel, Kings Mt., messenger from Ferguson to Shelby.  
Patterson, William, Kings Mt.  
Pepper, Elisha, Kings Mt.—killed.

Rust, John, Va. Militia.  
Ross, Valentine, Captain Henry Hill's Va. Infantry.  
Riley, Daniel, Va. Line, Col. Russell's Regiment.  
Roberts, David.  
Roy, Benjamin.  
Ramsey, Josiah.  
Rose, James.  
Russell, William, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.  
Ritchie, Alexander, Kings Mt., Ensign.  
Ritchie, Samuel, Kings Mt.  
Rhea, Joseph, Kings Mt.  
Russell, Robert, Kings Mt.  
Roberts, James, Kings Mt.  
Riley, David, Continental Line, Col. Russell's Regiment.  
Reazer, Peter, Kings Mt.  
Roberson, William, Kings Mt.  
Rosebrough, William, Captain, Kings Mt.

Stein, Leonard, died in service, 1778.  
Statzer, Martin, died in service.  
Scott, Joseph, Sr., Lieutenant, Kings Mt.  
Scott, Joseph, Kings Mt.  
Shaver, Michael, killed, Camden, S. C.  
Spiars, John.

Smith, Francis, Lieutenant Va. Continental Line.

Sharp, Richard E., Kings Mt.

Sharp, Thomas, Ensign, Kings Mt.

Shaffer, John.

Smith, Edward.

Stewart, William, Kings Mt.

Smith, John.

Sloan, William.

Smith, Daniel, Lieutenant-Colonel.

Sawyers, John, Ensign.

Sword, Michael.

Sykes, John, Va. Continental.

Skaggs, John, Kings Mt., wounded.

Stovall, Bartholomew, Kings Mt.

Scott, Alexander, Kings Mt.

Scott, William, Kings Mt.

Smith, Henry, Kings Mt.

Stevenson, John, Kings Mt.

Self, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Scott, Walter, Kings Mt.

Scott, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Sharp, William, Kings Mt.

Snodgrass, James, Kings Mt.

Scott, Archibald, Kings Mt.

Scott, Robert, Kings Mt.

Smith, Jonas, Va. Militia.

Snoddy, John, Kings Mt.

Shaw, John.

Shote, Thomas, Kings Mt., Ensign.

Thomas, David.

Thacker, Reuben.

Talbert, Charles, Kings Mt.

Thompson, William, Kings Mt.

Thompson, James, Captain, Kings Mt.

Treadway, Wm., Cherokee Expedition, 1780.

Topp, Roger, Kings Mt.

Teeter, George, Kings Mt.



Vanhook, Samuel, Ensign, Kings Mt.

Vermillion, Jesse.

Vineyard, George, at Yorktown.

Woodward, Jacob, Va. Line.

Walker, Wm.

Wilson, John.

Widener, Michael, Va. Line, Continental Line.

Witten, Thomas, Sr.

Welsh, Robert, Col. Parker's Regiment.

Woolsey, Thomas, Kings Mt.

Ward, David, Kings Mt.

White, Benjamin, Kings Mt.

Wynn, William, Kings Mt.

Witten, Solomon, Kings Mt.

Wiley, Alexander, Lieutenant, Kings Mt.

Yontz, George, Kings Mt.

Yeary, Henry, Kings Mt.

Young, William, Kings Mountain.

NAMES OF TAZEWELL COUNTY MEN WHO RECEIVED PENSIONS FOR  
SERVICE IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR, FROM RECORDS AT  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

December 8, 1819.—Petition of Isaac Runyan, for compensation.

December 21, 1825.—Petition of George Cummins, 85 years old, for compensation.

July 22, 1833.—Lowe Brown, 76 years old, private; annual allowance, \$60. Service, Va. State troops.

April 4, 1834.—Jarret Bowling, 72 years old, private; annual allowance, \$50, amount received, \$150. Service, Virginia militia.

July 19, 1833.—William Cecil, 85 years old, Indian Spy; annual allowance, \$80, amount received, \$240. Service, Virginia militia.

July 1, 1834.—Christopher Chaffin, 77 years old, private; annual allowance, \$80. Service, Virginia militia.

April 9, 1834.—Lyles Dolsberry, 74 years old, private; annual allowance, \$80., amount received, \$240. Service, Virginia militia.

June 17, 1833.—William Hall, 86 years old, private; annual allowance, \$67.76, amount received, \$203.20. Service, Virginia State troops.

June 6, 1833.—John McLaughlin, 78 years old, private; annual allowance, \$80, amount received, \$200. North Carolina militia.

July 16, 1833.—William McGuire, 77 years old, private, annual allowance, \$80, amount received, \$240, Service, Virginia militia.

October 29, 1833.—John Prewett, 74 years old, private; annual allowance, \$67.22, amount received, \$168.05. Service, Virginia militia.

July 19, 1833.—Thomas Welton, 82 years old, ensign; annual allowance, \$240, amount received, \$720. Service, Virginia militia. Revolutionary soldier.

For records of other Tazewell men, see Volume 1, Annals of Tazewell County.

## THE WAR BETWEEN THE STATES.

### NAMES OF TAZEWELL MEN WHO SERVED AS OFFICERS AND PRIVATES IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY.

Much valuable data concerning the organization of the nineteen companies of Tazewell soldiers, together with the names of the field and company officers and other information, is found in Pendleton's History of Tazewell County, published in 1920, pages 638 to 654, to which the reader is referred. The author of that very valuable history says, on page 638, that it was his intention to publish the rolls of the several companies but he was able to obtain only four or five of these rolls. Believing that the names of our private soldiers in the Confederate Army should be found and permanently recorded so far as possible, we undertook the task. While a few names found on mutilated rolls could not be deciphered, we herein present the most complete list possible at this time. The appearance of the same name in more than one company indicates transfers. After the work of the tabulation of the rolls is finished in the archives of the Virginia State Library at Richmond, the lists can be completed by the next historian who may undertake such compilation.

LETTER OF FRANK W. KELLY TO F. T. WITTEN, WRITTEN IN 1897;  
CAPTAIN D. B. BALDWIN'S COMPANY.

Captain D. B. Baldwin's Company was organized in Tazewell County, Virginia. W. P. Cecil was the first Captain, D. B. Baldwin, 1st Lieut., David J. Gillespie, 2nd. Lieut., Thomas W. Whitt, 3rd. Lieut.

This company was temporarily attached to the 51st Va. Regt., Infantry, Floyd Brigade.

After the campaign under Gen'l Floyd in West Virginia was finished the Floyd Brigade was ordered west and was stationed at Bowling Green, Kentucky. From this point it was moved to Russellville, Kentucky; from there it was moved to Cumberland City, Tennessee; from this point into Fort Donaldson fight. After this engagement, this command was ordered to Nashville, Tenn. After the evacuation of Nashville it was ordered to Chattanooga, Tenn.; thence to Murfreesborough; thence to Knoxville, Tenn., at which point Gen'l John B. Floyd was relieved of his command, which was ordered back to Virginia. Upon the reorganization W. P. Cecil was promoted to Major of the Battalion, D. B. Baldwin Captain of the Company, Thos. W. Whitt 1st Lieut., Jas H. Gillespie 2nd Lieut., and M. W. Barrett 3rd Lieut. At the second reorganization D. B. Baldwin was elected Captain, Jas. H. Gillespie, 1st Lieut., Wm. M. Witten 2nd Lieut., O. F. Barns 3rd Lieut. The command then elected Clarence Derrick, a graduate of West Point, Lieut.-Colonel, Wm. Blessing Major, and O. F. Barns Sergt.-Major of the command.

List of Engagements of D. B. Baldwin's Company: Colton Hill, W. V.; Dickenson, W. Va.; McCoy's, W. Va.; Fayetteville, W. Va.; Fort Donaldson, Tenn.; Montgomery, W. Va.; Camp Pyatt, W. Va.; Charleston, W. Va.; Elk River, W. Va.; Packs Ferry, W. Va.; Lewisburg, W. Va.; Dry Creek, W. Va.; New Market, Va.; Berryville, Va.; Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Monocacy Junct., W. Va.; Opecan Creek, Va.; Cedar Creek, Va.; Middletown, W. Va.; Winchester, Va.; Fisherville, Va.; Cold Harbor, Va.; Atlee's Station, Va.; Lynchburg, Va.; Lacy Springs, Va.; Kearnstown, Va., and Snikers Gap, Va.

(Signed) FRANK W. KELLY.



Company "C," 23rd Battalion, Infantry Roster Vol. 14,  
Infantry Battalions.

Baldwin, Captain.

Duncan, J. V., First Lieutenant.

Peery, F. M., First Lieutenant, promoted Captain January, 1863; captured Winchester September, 1864; released Ft. Delaware.

Walker, George W., First Sergeant, wounded June, 1865.

Shawver, W. L., First Corporal.

Bowman, R. W.

Peck, W. M. (Wythe).

Best, G. O.

Pack, Ad. (Tazewell).

Cotler, S. (Fincastle).

Ratliff, H. (Tazewell).

Edwards, Andrew J. (Carroll).

Ratcliffe, R. S. (Wash.).

Hankins, R.

Starks, J. M.

Kidd, James (Bland).

Shawver, J. M.

Lucas, D. D.

Warner, D. C. (Bland).

Miller, A. W. (Giles).

Walker, A. L.

Patton, L. (Wythe).

Company "D," 23rd Battalion, Infantry Roster Vol. 14, Infantry  
Batts. Additional names furnished by F. W. Kelley, 1897.

Cecil, William P., Captain—promoted Major.

Baldwin, D. B., Captain.

Whitt, Thomas W., First Lieutenant.

Gillespie, David J., First Lieutenant.

Witten, W. M., Lieutenant.

Dougherty, David J., First Sergeant.

Brewster, Thomas P., Sergeant.

Edwards, David A., Sergeant.

Agner, William.

Bowman, Samuel P.

Ayers, Isaac (Wash.).

Barnes, John.

Ayers, B. F.

Brown, William.

Asberry, John.

Barnes, Oscar F., Lieutenant.

Asberry, Madison.

Barrett, M. W.

Archer, J. D. (Wythe), wounded  
at Winchester.

Barrett, W. H.

Brown, W. J.

Carter, John.

Bowman, Arch.

Carter, Smith.

Carter, James.

Cooley, Joseph.  
Conley, Isaac.  
Cook, B. K. (or D. K.).  
Cowden, F. H., 3rd Lieutenant  
(Smythe).  
Conley, Robert.  
Cline, Gordon.  
Chappell, W. A. (Grayson).  
Cole, S. J. (Pulaski).  
Corvin, Stephen W. (Wythe).  
Canady (Kenady), W. M.

Doughton, Enos.  
Doughton, Mitchell.  
Doughton, Geo.  
Doughton, Andrew.  
Dillion, Henderson.  
Dillion, Osborne—Captured in  
McDowell Co., tied to a tree  
and shot.  
Dillion, Thos. P.  
Dixon, John.  
Dailey, Wilk W.  
Dillon, Hugh, Fife Major.  
Daniels, John W., Flag Bearer.  
Daugherty, David A.

Edwards, David.  
Effenger, Fred.

Faddis, John (or James).

George, James H.  
Gray, James.  
Gillespie, Robert.  
Gillespie, James (or James H.)  
Lieut.  
Gillespie, George W.  
Gillenwaters, James.  
Gillespie, David J.

Hunter, James.  
Hankins, James.  
Hankins, Richard.  
Higginbotham, Moses N.  
Hilton, Buck.  
Hooker, William.  
Hall, John.  
Hall, James.  
Hall, Thomas.  
Haldron, A. J.  
Hensley, William.  
Harding, James A. (or Jas. H.)  
Hilton, William B.

Mathena, John.  
Marrs, David W.  
Mitchell, Eli.  
Moore, Robert M. (or Robt. W.)  
Millisons, D. (Pulaski).

Newton, James.  
Newton, William.

Osborne, Wm.

Pack, Jordan.  
Puckett, James.  
Price, William.  
Pack, John.

Quicksall, Harman.

Rollins, Davidson.  
Rollins, Ernsley (or Emsley).  
Redwine, Joseph.  
Rollins, William.  
Rader, William E.  
Ratcliffe, Richd. S.  
Ratcliff, Howard S.  
Ratcliffe, Henderson.  
Ratcliffe, Jefferson.

Smith, C. Dempsey.	Waldron, M. A.
Spotts, Campbell.	Whitt, Alfred.
Spence, William.	Witten, Thomas (W).
Spence, Jonas.	Whitt, Montague.
Sparks, Jonas.	Whitt, Elias H.
Sergeant, William.	White, Benjamin.
Sergeant, Johnson.	White, James A.
Sergeant, Powell (or Shannon Powell).	White, Osborne.
Steele, Montraville.	White, Joseph.
Sweeney, I. J.	Whitt, James A.
Sweeney, A. Jackson (Flag Bearer).	White, John.
Smiley, Fred A. (Flag Bearer).	White, Arch.
Stout, Jno. A. (Washington).	White, John, Jr.
Smith, D.	Whitesel, John (Drum Major).
Surber, Lilburn.	Warner, W. T.
Thomas, John.	Witt, William.
Vest, James H.	Warner, D. C. (Bland).
Vaughan, Jeff (Wythe).	Ward, Jno. B.
Vernon, H.	Whitt, Thomas.
	Young, Charles.
	Young, John B.

Company "H," 29th Virginia Infantry. Roster Volume 3, Va. Inf.

Brewster, Ebenezer, Captain—promoted to Major.  
 Deskins, John W., First Lieutenant.  
 Hankins, Wm. H., Second Lieutenant—promoted to Captain.  
 Stephenson, James W., Third Lieutenant.  
 Brittain, Rufus, First Sergeant—promoted to Adjutant of Regiment.  
 Dailey, Isaac M., Second Sergeant.  
 Bailey, Thomas S., Third Sergeant—promoted to First Sergeant.  
 Corell, Josiah W., Fourth Sergeant.

Altizer, John A.	Brown, Smith.
Asberry, Eli C.	Bostick, W. F. (Wm. F).
Altizer, J. A.	Bowling, John W.
	Beavers, Mathias.
Bandy, James.	Brewster, Andrew P.
Brown, Alfred P.	Brewster, Bird L.
Brown, George H.	Brewster, George F.



Brewster, Harvey P.  
Brewster, Thomas P.  
Brewster, William.  
Bowling, John W.  
Bowling, Harvey.  
Bowling, William H.  
Bailey, Geo. C.  
Bailey, James.  
Burnett, Geo. G. (or F.)  
Burnett, John A.  
Barrett, Robert H.  
Beavers, Thomas.  
Beavers, Mathias.  
Blackwell, Henry.  
Bailey, Thomas S. (O. S.)  
Brooks, Augustus H.  
Brooks, Jno.  
Barnett, Jno.  
Bishop, John.  
Blankenship, Wm. H.  
  
Corell, John W.  
Corell, Wm.  
Chiddix, Eli.  
Cecil, Wm. C.  
Christian, David.  
Christian, Daniel.  
Christian, Granville.  
Crabtree, John B.

Dawson, S. D.  
Davidson, John H.  
Deskins, John W.  
Deskins, Augustus S.  
Davidson, Joseph.  
Dillon, Harvey G.  
Dudley, Milton D.  
Dawson, Robert D.  
Dawson, Dabney.  
Dailey, Augustus F.

Elswick, Talbert.  
  
Fallen, Japtha.  
Firebaugh, Henry.  
Firebaugh, D. H.  
  
Gates, David.  
Griffith, G. (Griffey).  
Griffith, Martin.  
Griffith, Augustus.  
Griffith, Allen P.  
Griffith, Chapman T.  
Griffith, Geo. Wm.  
Griffith, Wm. Frank.  
Green, William.  
Gross, Andrew.  
Gross, Wm.  
  
Hankins, G. H. (George).  
Henkle, Jasper.  
Henkle, Lazewell.  
Hankins, Timothy W. (after-  
wards Third Lieutenant).  
Higginbotham, Balaam W.  
Harper, James.  
Hurt, John D.  
Hall, David.  
  
Johnson, Elisha.  
  
Kinder, Hawkins.  
  
Lockhart, William.  
Low, Valentine.  
Lawson, James.  
Lawson, Claiborn.  
Lewis, Henry.  
Long, Henry.  
Lewis, Alexander.  
Low, W. D. (or Lowe).

- Lockhart A.  
 Lockhart, Bird L.  
 Lockhart, Harvey.  
 Lester, Jesse.  
 Lester, Thomas.  
 Lester, Wm. A.  
  
 Mitchell, S. W.  
 Meadows, B. G. (Brightwell).  
 Mitchell, Robt.  
 Mitchell, Eli.  
 Mitchell, Chart.  
 Maxwell, Jas. W. (afterwards  
     Lieutenant).  
 McNeil, Malcolm.  
 Miller, A. (Pitts).  
 Mortin, Andrew W.  
  
 Nelson, William (Smythe).  
 Norton, W. B.  
 Nuckells, J. C. (Russl).  
  
 Osborne, Jesse.  
  
 Puckett, Jacob.  
 Puckett, Jno.  
 Phillips, Rees.  
 Phillips, Henry.  
 Pruett, Andrew.  
 Pruett, Benjamin.  
 Peery, William (Tazewell).  
 Pruett, John (Tazewell).  
 Pruett, Wm. B. (of Arch).  
 Pruett, William (of Reuben).  
 Pack, C. Crockett.  
  
 Quicksall, Milton.  
  
 Rose, Joshua.  
 Ratcliffe, Jno.  
 Rhudy, Stephen G.  
  
 Steele, Francis M., Jr..  
 Steele, Francis M., Sr.  
 Stephenson, J. J.  
 Steele, Richard (of Richard),  
     wounded at Drewry's Bluff.  
 Steele, Richard (of George.  
 Spratt, Samuel.  
 Simmons, Peyton H.  
 Stephenson James R.  
 Stephenson, Wilke (of Jas.)  
 Stephenson, Wilke (of Phoebe).  
  
 Turley, Rees.  
 Turley, Solomon.  
 Thomas, Andrew.  
 Thomas, James.  
 Thomas, James M.  
 Thomas, Jno.  
 Thomas, Haston.  
  
 Vaught, William J. (Smythe).  
  
 White, Arch (of Thomas).  
 White Arch (of Jacob).  
 White, Arch (of Jas.).  
 White, Jacob (of Wm.).  
 White, Joseph (of Wm.).  
 Wysong, John.  
 Willis, Franklin M.  
 White, Israel.  
 White, Orton (or Osborn).  
 Whitt, D. Crockett.  
 White, Jos. F.  
 Whitt, Archibald.  
 Wysong, Calvin.  
 White, William.  
 White, James.  
 Whitt, William (of Milburn).  
 Whitt, James.  
 Whitt, Henry A.

Whitt, John B. (of Floyd).	Willis, Francis.
Whitt, William.	Ward, Ballard P.
Williams, Julius C.	Wilson, John.
Witten, Samuel M.	

Company "I," 29th "Corse's Brigade" Roster, Vol. 3, Virginia  
Infantry.

Dickenson, Captain.	
Peery, Thomas, Captain (3 years).	
Greever, Charles H., Second Sergeant (3 years), wounded.	
Peery, H. G., Second Corporal.	
Abernathy, L. M.	Kelly, S. C. (Russell).
Aistrop (or Artrip), O. P. (Russell).	Kimble, E. D. (Smythe).
	Llewellyn, John.
	Lockhart, Mark T.
Breeding, H. (Russell).	McCheer, F. J.
	Marrs, W. B. (Tazewell).
Chesenhall, James (Wise).	
Champ, L. K. (Giles), wounded at Jeffersonville.	Newton, W. H.
	Puckett, John.
Dawson, Robert D.	Peery, A. (or Perry).
Farmer, G. (Russell).	Tabor, Thos. E.
	Tabor, G. W. (Tazewell).
	Turley, James S.
Hawkins, J. M. (Tazewell).	
Helmandollar, W. H. (Wm.) (Tazewell).	Wynn, George W.
	Walters, John P.
Hager, Henry W.	Walters, James A.
	Walters, James.
Jessee, N. (Russell).	Williams, T. J.

Field and Staff of 45th Virginia Regiment of Infantry,  
Ferber's Brigade, Roster, Vol. 5.

Heth, Henry, Colonel.  
 Browne, William H., Lieutenant-Colonel—killed at Piedmont.  
 Peters, William E., Colonel.  
 Ficklin, Benj. F., Lieutenant-Colonel.



Logan, Robert H., Lieutenant-Colonel—temporary rank.

Beckley, Henry M., Colonel.

Harman, Edwin H., Colonel—killed at Cloyd's Farm May 9, 1864.

Werth, Wm. H., Colonel.

Davis, Alexander M., Major.

Sanders, Wm. C., Major.

Wharton, Gabriel C., Major.

Woodram, ....., Major.

Woodson, Baker L., Major.

Miller, Francis, Major.

Burns, A. C., Adjutant.

Clark, H. (Dr.), Surgeon.

Gleaves, Saml. C., Surgeon.

Hoyt, B. H., Surgeon.

Pettyjohn, A., Captain, A. Q. M., transferred to Saltville as Major.

Davis, J. M., Captain, Com's'y (Tazewell).

Smith, Edward, Captain, Com's'y.

Alvey, John F., Quartermaster-Sergeant.

Company "A," 45th Va. Infantry Roster, Vol. 5, with additions from F. W. Kelley list, 1897.

Harrison, Joseph, Captain—promoted to Colonel.

Thompson, John, Fourth Sergeant—promoted to Captain (served to end of war).

Williams, Benjamin, First Lieutenant.

Beavers, Columbus, Second Lieutenant—killed near Charles Town, W. Va. (Sept. 10, 1862).

Higginbotham, Hugh, Second Lieutenant.

Wingo, Robert S., Third Lieutenant.

Wilburne, Robt. M., First Sergeant.

Bailey, Jacob, Second Sergeant.

Fuchety, Jesse, Third Sergeant.

Barley, John, First Corporal.

Akers, John.

Asberry, M. S.

Arms, John.

Asberry, Thomas.

Arms, Theodore.

Atwell, John—died Camp Morton.

Barnett, William.

Brooke, J. K.

- Brooke, C. (Charles).  
Brown, W. T.  
Brown, H.  
Blackwell, G. W.  
Brown, Frank.  
Brown, "Dude".  
Brown, Newton.  
Baldwin, Owen.  
Beavers, Alexander.  
Barnes, John.
- Cole, J. (Joshua).  
Chambers, J. G. (Buchanan).  
Christian, Samuel.  
Christian, George.  
Christian, George W.  
Chambers, Reese.
- Davidson, Joseph.  
Deskins, Stephen A.  
De Long, A. (Arman).  
Davis, W. H.
- Farmer, J. (Jeremiah), wounded  
near White Sulphur Springs  
August, 1863.  
Farmer, Samuel.
- Graham, A. H.  
Grills, James H.  
Gillespie, R. C.  
Grogan, F. M. (Henry).  
Gibson, Reese.
- Harman, Wm. R.  
Hurt, W. M.  
Henkle, L. (Lazewell).  
Henkle, William.  
Hewitt, Mack.  
Hurt, Thurston D.  
Higginbotham, J. S. S.
- Hickman, Levi.  
Harman, Andrew.
- Law, Isaac, died Camp Morton,  
Ind.  
Landers, Cal.  
Lester, John A.  
Lester, John G.  
Lester, Lewis.  
Lowe, Austin.  
Lowe, Moses.
- Moore, C. M., wounded near  
White Sulphur August, 1863.  
Marshall, J. M., died Camp  
Morton, Ind.  
Maxwell, H. E.  
Mitchell, Blair.  
Martin, Fleming.  
Merritt, George.  
McNeely, Wm., died Camp Mor-  
ton, Ind.  
McGuire, Henry A.  
McNeil, A. S.  
McNeil, Wm. P.  
McGuire, Wm. F.  
McGuire, A. J.  
McGuire, Jesse.
- Nipper, J. W. (Russell).  
Nipper, John (Russell).  
Nipper, George.  
Nipper, William.  
Nuckols, Abner.
- Orabough, Samuel, died Camp  
Morton, Ind.
- Pack, C. C.  
Phillips, J. (Jack).

- Pursin, J.  
 Proffitt, John.  
 Proffitt, Edward.  
 Patrick, John.  
 Patrick, Green.  
 Patrick, Edward.  
 Patrick, Robert.  
 Pruitt, Oscar.  
 Quicksall, Elias.  
 Remines, William (Smythe).  
 Reed, M. M. (Floyd).  
 Repass, T. A. (Thomas A.).  
 Randall, M. C. (Fauquier).  
 Stephenson, W., wounded.  
 Songer, F. M.  
 Spurgeon, James.  
 Spurgeon, Joseph.  
 Sifford, H. P.  
 Smith, Thomas A.  
 Taylor, J. E. (Montgomery).  
 Tate, John.  
 Van Dyke, Ro.  
 Van Dyke, Andrew.  
 Van Dyke, Robert.  
 Vail, James.  
 Wilkerson, Stephenson.  
 Witten, S. W., mortally wounded  
     near White Sulphur August,  
     1863.  
 Wingo, M. B., wounded August,  
     1863.  
 Wingo, R. S. (Robt. S.).  
 Wingo, A. F.  
 Wingo, John C.  
 Wingo, Thomas W.  
 Walden, M. A.  
 Williams, Robert S.  
 White, Jesse F.  
 Witten, Wilke.  
 Whitt, Jonas, Jr.  
 Whitt, Jonas, Sr.  
 Watkins, William L.  
 Company "G," 45th Va. Infantry Roster, Vol. 5, with additions  
     from F. W. Kelley list, 1897.  
 Brown, William H., Captain (later Colonel of the Regiment).  
 Peery, Jas. S., Captain—captured at Battle of Piedmont, im-  
 prisoned until end of war.  
 Randall, Aquilla, Captain.  
 Winston, Robert, First Lieutenant.  
 Baldwin, Robert G., Second Lieutenant.  
 Bowen, Henry, First Sergeant.  
 Clear, S. R. (Smythe), Second Corporal.  
 Litz, J. R., Fourth Corporal.  
 Allen, W. W. (Wash.).  
 Anderson, James.  
 Baldwin, Albert.  
 Barnett, Albert.  
 Barnett, James.  
 Boothe, J. W. (John).  
 Boyd, Jackson.  
 Beavers, M.  
 Cline, G. (Wythe).  
 Correll, Oscar.



Clair, Stephen.	Owens, John Henry.
Claytor, Henry.	
Correll, A. I.	Price, George W.
Cooley, Philip.	Peery, Jos. S.
	Peery, Richard B.
Davis, M. J.	Peery, Tobias.
	Poston, John.
Emschwiller, W. P. (Roanoke).	Phillips, Cage.
Emschwiller, Reuben.	Peery, Thomas.
Grubb, J. B. (Barney) (Wythe).	Rhudy, G. G.
Ganmore, D. (Wythe).	Rigney, H. C., died in prison.
Hudson, Samuel (Wash.).	Spracher, Levi.
Harman, Madison, died at Ft.	Sparks, J. T.
Delaware.	Spracher, S. R. (or L. R.).
Harman, Oscar.	Spence, J. C.
Harrisson, W. A.	Stewart, Elijah.
Hankins, Elisha (Elihugh).	Sparks, Hugh.
	Spracher, Stephen.
Johnson, Emmett.	Spracher, George.
	Smith, Robert G.
Kimbel, E. D. (Elijah)	Smith, C. P.
(Smythe).	Sayers, John.
King, J. J. (Smythe).	Smith, J. W.
King, W. W. (Smythe).	
King, S.	Thompson, Samuel.
	Thompson, Denton.
Moss, B. R.	Thompson, Newton.
Mickles, David, killed near	Thompson, Reese.
White Sulphur August, 1863.	
McCraw, W. R.	Witten, J. H.
Maxwell, James.	Witten, A. S.
Marrs, Alexander.	Wynn, Thomas.
Muddy, Marion.	Wilson, John S.

Company "H," 45th Regiment Infantry Roster, Vol. 5.

Harman, Edwin H., Captain, promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment in 1862—mortally wounded at Battle of Cloyd's Farm, 1864.

Taylor, Robert H., First Lieutenant (resigned), afterward Captain in Cavalry service.

Fudge, Chas. A., Second Lieutenant, promoted to First Lieutenant, later Captain.

Bane, J. H., First Lieutenant.

Bailey, Armour W., Third Lieutenant, promoted to Second Lieutenant.

Adkins, Harris.

Knucker, E.

Burton, W. R.

Lindamood, J. L.

Bane, J. F.

Burton, James.

Moore, J. T.

Burton, M. S.

McMeans, Jas. R.

Brown, Jno. W.

Mills, E. R. (Gooch.).

Barnett, Adam H.

McMeans, J. G., wounded.

Caldwell, Hugh—died Ft. Delaware.

Porter, J. H.

Poston, James H.

Caldwell, N. N.

Caldwell, O. E.

Caldwell, J. H.

Ratcliff, J. E.

Carver, David F.

Robinett, William (Tazewell).

Cook, E. S.

Rinehart, A. (Tazewell).

Caldwell, J. E.

Rye, G. (Tazewell).

Caldwell, James M.

Repass, E.

Dills, James H.

Spencer, L. (Nelson).

Steptoe, R. H. L.

Gillespie, H. H. (Tazewell).

Shannon, J. B.

Simmons, William.

Harman, William R.

Salyer, Samuel.

Hearn, E. S.

Harman, B. V. (Tazewell).

Taylor, Ephriam.

Howister, T. J. (Campbell).

Taylor, C. L. (Botetourt).

Hayton, Thomas (Bland).

Thompson, Allen C.

Hayton, J. W.

Wingo, J. C. (Tazewell).

Keffer, G. H.

White, E. W.

Kellem, W. E.

Walden, W. H.

Company "K," 45th Va. Infantry Roster, Vol. 5, page 121.

Williams, Titus V., Captain—promoted to Major, 37th Va. Infantry, Jackson's Brigade, promoted Colonel of Regiment, 1862.

Whitley, Jno. H., Captain—succeeded Captain Williams. Whitley, Jno. H., became Lieutenant in Company "I," 16th Virginia Cavalry after reorganization in 1862. Was captured in 1864—remained in prison until close of war.

Yost, Henry, succeeded J. H. Whitley as Captain, 1862, and served to close of war.

Gillespie, Charles T., First Lieutenant—captured at Winchester September 19, 1864.

Walker, G. A., First Lieutenant—staff duty, January 8, 1864.

Williams, S. C., Second Lieutenant.

Whitman, James P., Third Lieutenant—afterwards Adjutant 16th Virginia Cavalry.

Wilson, Hugh, First Sergeant—died of fever, 1862.

Gillespie, Rees B., Jr., Second Sergeant—slightly wounded White Sulphur Springs August, 1863.

Higginbotham, A. J., First Corporal—elected Second Lieutenant May, 1862.

Six, Whitley, Second Corporal.

Adcock, R. T.

Alley, David.

Boyd, Perry, wounded.

Bryant, ....., wounded White Sulphur, 1863.

Barnett, W. H.

Bennett, G. W.

Brooks, A. E.

Bailey, James.

Bartlett, Augustus.

Buchanan, P. M.

Crockett, Byron (or Byrum).

Cook, A., wounded White Sulphur, 1863.

Crockett, J. S.

Crewey, Geo. M.

Crockett, James P.

Crockett, Thomas J.

Crockett, Samuel.

Crockett, Charles T.

Crockett, Thomas G.

Cartwright, William.

Cravens, D. H.

Chapman, J. R. P., detailed Quartermaster Department.

Criner, George.

Carpenter, Wm. D., died Camp Morton.

Dillow, Wm. P.

Dillow, Harvey.

Fisher, Joseph.

French, David.

Farrow, Jno.



Gillenwaters, Samuel—captured  
at Cloyds farm.  
Gillespie, Thomas A.

Havlers, wounded White Sul-  
phur.

Haven, B. (X).

Hayden, Jno.

Hudson, Isaac, captured at Pied-  
mont.

Havin, Byrant (X).

Harman, Joseph.

Harman, Erastus F.

Harman, William N.

Hyatt, William.

Hash, Barlow C.

Johnson, Isaac.

Keffer, S. C.

Kinder, R. F.

Lowder, James.

Meredith, J. D. (Wythe).

Moore, Creed F., killed Win-  
chester September, 1864.

Moore, Whitley D. (wounded  
7/64 Monocacy).

Mayers, Ashby.

Maus, William M.

McNew, George.

Nye, George L., Assistant Sur-  
geon.

Norman, Wm. E.

Oney, James A.

Parsons, William, killed Cross  
Lane.

Peery, Thomas J.  
Peery, Hiram.

Rogers, Samuel.

Raines, Henry.

Rudy, Geo. S.

Rose, Rush C.

Rane, J. P.

Riley, Wm. D.

Riley, John.

Repass, Elijah.

Roberts, Richard.

Raines, Jonathan.

Ranes, J. P.

Stephenson, S.

Stephenson, Isaac R. H.

Southern, James.

Scott, C. T.

Smythe, James W., elected  
Third Lieutenant May, 1862.

Smith, J. W.

Sayers, Nathan.

Saunders, Henry.

Saunders, George.

Spence, Jno. T.

Thompson, Austin.

Vincel, James.

Webb, John, missing White Sul-  
phur, 1863.

Webb, Greenville, missing White  
Sulphur, 1863.

Whitt, J. P.

Whitley, Hugh J.

Ward, James T.

Yost, Henry A., elected Captain  
reorganization May, 1862.

## "Addendum":

Buchanan, William.	Bowling, Harvey M.
Blankenship, John.	Bowling, Charles W.
Brown, Alexander.	Blackwell, George.
Boyd, Perry.	Brooks, Andrew J.
Bryant, Geo.	Barnett, James.
Burnett, W. H.	Brooks, Leonidas.
Burnett, G. W.	Stephenson, J. R.

Company "C," 50th Regiment, "Jones Brigade", Vol. 5, Virginia Infantry.

Perkins, James, Captain.

Greever, J. D., First Lieutenant (Burke's Garden).

East, W. T., Second Lieutenant, wounded Sharpsburg, Gettysburg and Fredericksburg.

Greever, John L. (or D.), Third Lieutenant (Washington).

Thomas, Vincent H., First Sergeant.

Fox, G. C., Second Sergeant.

Bowling, John W., Third Sergeant, died in Elmira and buried Woodlawn National Cemetery.

Kelley, Frank W., Second Corporal, promoted to Lieutenant and Captain.

Bailey, John.

Crockett, (?) James (part of name mutilated).

Boling, ..... P.

Crow, William (?).

Bourne, James.

Carter, Aaron, Sr.

Bourne, Thomas.

Carter, Aaron, Jr.

Brown, Thomas M., severely wounded.

Duncan, Noah.

Buckland, Wm. J.

Dudley, James.

Buckland, Jasper.

Brewer, J. W. (or Wm. J.).

East, W. T. (Wm.), wounded Gettysburg.

Brewster, Geo.

Burcham, Iradel, died in Elmira.

Carter, D., wounded Chancellorsville.

Fleenor, A. B.

Champ, John.

Fortner, Thomas.

Crockett, George.

Fortner, F. M.

Crockett, Samuel.

Ferguson, Thomas B.

Crockett (?) William (part of name mutilated).

Hash, Robert.

Hanshew, Samuel (Smythe).

Helmandollar, John.	Neel, Floyd, killed.
Helmandollar, Granger, Sr.	
Helmandollar, Granger, Jr.	Rollens, .....
Horton, W. M. (Bland), wounded Chancellorsville.	Smith, J. O. (or I. O.).
Horton, Thomas.	Snyder, B. P.
Heninger, William E.	Scott, D. A. (Wythe).
	Shrader, I. H. (Wythe).
Jones, I. B. (or J. B.), wounded and captured at Fort Donel- son—died in prison.	Simpkins, J. (Carroll).
Johnson, Joseph.	Suiter, William.
	Thomas, V. H.
	Tabor, John A.
Kelley, B. F.	Taylor, ..... ("Red Top").
	Vernon, Samuel.
Lambert, Joseph.	Waddle, E. R. (Wythe).
	Wallace, George W.
Martin, George.	Wooseley, Thomas.
Mullen, Mat, killed.	Wynn, ..... (Aunt Sallie's).
Murry, A. S. (Grayson).	

### MUSTER ROLL EIGHTH VIRGINIA CAVALRY.

Roster, Jenkins, Jones, Johnson, Payne Brigade.

(This list was furnished by Captain J. H. Abbot, of Charleston, W. Va.)

### ARMY NORTHERN VIRGINIA.

Colonel, J. M. Corns; Lieutenant-Colonel, A. F. Cook; Major, Tom P. Bowen; Adjutant, Calder Bailey; Sergeant-Major, A. L. Ruffner; Baker, Surgeon; Clark, Commissary.

Company A—"Smith Dragoons", Sheffy, Commander.

Company B—"Nelson Rangers", I. E. Paull, Commander.

Company C—"Grayson Cavalry", Boron, Commander.

Company D—Border Greys, "Gunn Rangers", Billy Gunn, Commander.

Company E—"Border Rangers", Everett, Commander.

Company F—"Bland Rangers", Wm. N. Harman, Commander.



Company G—"Mountain Rangers", A. A. Rocke, Commander.

Company H—"Tazewell Troopers", Henry Bowen, with J. H. Abbot, First Lieutenant; A. J. Peck, Second Lieutenant; Joe Moss, Third Lieutenant.

Company I—"Kanawha Rangers", Lewis, Commander.

Company K—"Sandy Rangers", Jos. M. Ferguson, Commander.

Maximum Strength, 1080—Rank and File.

In Kanawha Valley, 1863, with Longstreet at Knoxville, Tennessee, latter part '63-'64, Shenandoah Valley, 1864—with Early until the Surrender, April, 1865.

By J. H. Abbot, First Lieutenant. Born in Rockingham County, Va., November 4, 1839, enlisted April, 1861, paroled June, 1865.

Charleston, W. Va., May 29, 1915.

Company "H," 8th Regiment Virginia Cavalry, "Tazewell Troops",  
Organized July, 1861.

Spotts, Geo. W., July, 1861, Captain.

McDonald, Jno. C., Captain.

Bowen, Thomas P., Captain, promoted Major, Lieutenant-Colonel.

Bowen, Henry (captured at Lacy Springs, promoted Major, Lieutenant-Colonel on December 21, 1864.)

Moss, Jos. S., Lieutenant, 4 years Tazewell Company.

Abbot, J. H., Lieutenant, promoted Captain, vice Henry Bowen.

Tynes, A. J., Lieutenant, promoted Captain and Acting Commander and Aide.

Peck, Jacob Austin (Mercer Co., W. Va.), Lieutenant.

Cox, Montgomery, Sergeant, killed, 1862.

Day, Joshua, Sergeant.

Jones, George, Sergeant.

Deaton, Fabius, Color-Sergeant.

Sluss, John, Corporal.

Alexander, Henry.

Alvis, Fel.

Alvis, James.

Alvis, John.

Allison, H.

Alvise, Joe.

Bailey, Theodore.

Bailey, Phillip.

Baxton, James.

Belcher, Henry, Jr.

Belcher, Henry, Sr.

Billups, Gus.

- Bailey, A. J.  
Bailey, Rufus K.  
Bailey, Rufus.  
Bailey, Festus.  
Bailey, Clinton.  
Belcher, Henry D.  
Belcher, Phillip.  
Belcher, Waddy.  
Blankenship, Wm.  
Billups, S. A., 4 years.  
Brooks, J. H., 4 years.  
Bandy, Richard.  
Bandy, George.  
Burton, Christ.  
Belcher, Isaac.  
Brooks, Lem.  
Brooks, Wm.  
Brown, Tom.  
Bowen, Reese.
- Calfee, H. S.  
Calfee, Jno.  
Cassady, R. P.  
Clowers, Daniel.  
Crawford, Reuben.  
Crabtree, G. S., Sr. or G. W., 3  
years.  
Clark, W. J.  
Crockett, Davy.  
Croft, John.  
Croft, Samuel.  
Crabtree, Gabe.  
Carnaham, Jno.  
Cox, William.  
Croft, Preston.
- Deacon, Thadeous.  
Deweese, Andrew.  
Duncan, William.  
Dudley, Chas. F., 4 years.
- Davis, Elaton, 4 years.  
Davidson, Jno. D.  
Day, Daniel.  
Dudley, James.  
Dudley, Andrew.  
Dameron, Henry.  
Deaton, Thad.  
Dudley, Dick.  
Duncan, Doc.  
Deacon, Charlie.
- Elswick, H. V., 4 years.  
Elswick, Wm.  
Eaton, James.
- French, J. L., 4 years.  
Fortner, Geo.
- George, R. A.  
Godfrey, Jno. D.  
Goodwin, W. H., 4 years.  
Gillespie, Rufe.  
Gerald, Joe.  
Gerald, Jerry.  
Griever, Joe.  
Graham, Joe.  
George, Jno.  
Griffiths, Elihugh, killed at  
Fisher's Hill.
- Hale, Jno. E.  
Higginbotham, J. H.  
Higginbotham, Allen.  
Hight, James H.  
Hamilton, S. C., 4 years.  
Hash, James, Sergeant.  
Hash, Barlow, First Corporal.  
Hash, Frank.  
Hedrick, Samuel.

Jenkins, Abe.  
Jones, H. C.  
Johnson, .....

Karnes, Jas. A.  
Kesterson, Frank.  
Karnes, John.

Lambert, H. W., 4 years.  
Lawson, R. M.  
Lambert, James.  
Lambert, Henry H.  
Lockhart, Smith.  
Lockhart, Simon.  
Lockhart, George.

McNutt, Joe.  
McClanahan, Charles.  
McNutt, Jos. P.  
McPherson, Jacob.  
McPherson, James.  
McThompson, Jno.  
Mills, James R.  
McPherson, J. A., 4 years.  
Mustard, Wm. G., 4 years.  
Myers, R. W., 4 years.  
Matheney, Jno.  
McDonald, .....  
Moore, Samuel.  
Marshall, Marion.  
McFearson, Samuel.  
McGuire, Marion.  
McGuire, James.

Neel, R. R., 3 years.  
Neel, T. C., 4 years.  
Neel, Hiram.

Peery, Thomas, killed at Winchester, Va.

Painter, Dr.  
Painter, Lee.  
Painter, Wm. L., 3 years.  
Painter, I. L., 4 years.  
Pruett, Josh.  
Patterson, G. F., 4 years.  
Pruett, A. J., 3 years.  
Perry, Gus.  
Pruitt, Andy.  
Perry, Will.  
Reed, Hiram.  
Riley, B. F.  
Reed, Samuel.  
Raines, Jno.

Shuck, Billy.  
Steavons, Hiram.  
Smith, Dick.  
Slusher, Jno.  
Shrader, Robert.  
Smith, Wm. B. W., 3 years.  
Stickleman, Thomas.  
Stovall, Jno. V. (or Q.).  
Sluss, Jas., 2 years.  
Shrader, S. A., 2 years.  
Smith, Wm.  
Swader, Samuel.  
Scott, Taze.

Taylor, Jim.  
Thompson, Jno. R., 3 years.  
Tiller, J. P.  
Thompson, H. B.  
Thompson, Patrick.  
Thompson, Thos. W.  
Thompson, Wm. H.  
Tillett, S. R., 4 years.  
Thompson, W. C., 4 years.  
Thompson, George, Third Corporal.



Thompson, Rufe.	Winmer, Jack.
Thomas, Samuel.	Witten, Gus.
Taylor, A. P.	Wynn, Joe.
Taylor, Samuel.	Workman, Andy.
Underwood, Peter.	Woods, Bob.
Walker, William.	Wood, Will.
	Wilson, Jno.

The following additional names found in the records at Richmond, Virginia, belonging to "Tazewell Troopers".

Arms, Joe.	George, James.
Allison, Ab.	Gibson, Alex.
	Gerald, Tol.
Barnes, Wm.	Griffith, Tom.
Barnett, Arch.	
Barnes, Clinton.	Higginbotham, J. H.
Bowen, H.	Hale, Charles.
Bowen, R. T.	Hall, John.
Bowen, W. R.	Holbrook, James.
Brooks, James.	
Brooks, Jim.	Jarl, Albert.
Burke, James.	
	Lambert, Edward.
Crabtree, G. W., Sr.	Lumford, Dr. ....
Clark, W. J. (Ord. Sgt.).	
Cravens, Dave.	Meadows, Floyd G. (Sergeant).
Craft, John.	Murrell, James.
Craft, Samuel.	
Crockett, Davy.	Summers, John, Second Cor- poral.
Crockett, Sam.	Smith, Bill.
Day, Josh.	Sluss, Jno.
Davis, John.	Scott, Taz. James.
Davis, Henry.	
Davis, Harvey.	Templar, J. T.
Daugherty, George.	Thompson, Oscar.
Elswick, Tob.	Workman, Andy.
Engelsby, James.	

Company "C," 16th Regiment of Virginia Cavalry, organized  
 Summer 1862, Roster Vol. 10, and additional names  
 furnished by Major James P. Whitman,  
 Tazewell, Va.

Jonathan Hankins, Captain, served through the war.

Milburn F. Linkous, First Lieutenant.

Jno. W. Elswick, First Lieutenant.

Julius C. Williams, First Lieutenant.

Jno. Blankenship, Second Lieutenant.

M. W. Barrett, Third Lieutenant.

W. A. Shaver, First Sergeant.

Abel Hankins, Orderly Sergeant.

Geo. Browne, Corporal.

Asbury, Eli.

Asbury, F. K.

Asbury, Smith, killed at Gettys-  
 burg.

Asbury, Wash.

Asbury, G. W.

Asbury, Rees.

Blankenship, Pascal.

Blankenship, William.

Blankenship, C. W. (Russell).

Barrett, William.

Barrett, M. L. (or W. L.),  
 wounded at New Creek.

Barrett, James.

Brewster, Andrew J.

Brewster, M. W.

Bowling, William.

Bowling, W. S.

Bowling, Jordan.

Brown, Clint.

Brown, Patton J.

Brown, Harvey.

Brown, Charlie C.

Cardwell, I. R.

Caudill, Charles, captured at  
 Moorefield.

Caudill, Reives, shot at Moore-  
 field.

Caudill, Skid, shot at Moorefield.

Caudill, Ben, shot at Moorefield.

Cecil, Rush F.

Cecil, Robert.

Cecil, Flare (or Flave), killed  
 at Farmville.

Combs, W. J. (Russell).

Coffman, Jno. R. (Scott).

Deskins, James.

Elswick, Bird.

Elswick, Chapman.

Elswick, J. B.

Elswick, T. B. (Russell).

Elswick, Tolbert.

Fanner, J. W. (or Farmer).

Ferrel, Poly.

Ferrel, Oscar.

Grear, J. C.

Gross, Henry.

Hankins, Thomas, captured at  
Tazewell.

Hankins, Moses, captured at  
Moorefield.

Hankins, Richard, captured at  
Morefield.

Hankins, Robert, captured at  
Moorefield.

Hankins, R. M., died at Colum-  
bus, O.

Hickman, John, shot at Moore-  
field.

Kindrick, Alex.

Lester, James.

Lester, William.

Lester, Fullen.

Lockard, Ben, died at Columbus,  
Ohio.

Lockhart, J. C.

Lockard, Harvey.

Lockhard, Richard.

Maxwell, John C.

Maxwell, Charles.

McGuire, J. Marion.

Moore, John.

McGlothlin, James.

McGlothlin, Alex.

Oney, George.

Oney, Patton.

Oney, John H., died at Colum-  
bus, O.

Oney, Alysis.

Prewett, William, captured at  
Moorefield.

Prewett, Joseph.

Prewett, Arch, captured at  
Moorefield.

Rose, John.

Rose, Sam.

Rose, S.

Ratliff, Peter.

Shaver, William.

Shaver, James.

Sargent, William.

Sargent, Elijah.

Sargent, Johnson.

Steele, William.

Steele, A. J.

Sparks, Hugh.

Sparks, John.

Sparks, J. I.

Sparks, J. W.

Tate, John.

Turner, Meadows.

Turner, Patin.

Thompson, Andrew.

Walker, William.

Waddell, William.

Waddell, Thomas.

Wallis, Shade.

Wallis, William.

Wallis, George.

Wallis, Howard.

Wallace, G. H. (Russell).

Whitt, M. W.

Williams, J. C., wounded at  
Liberty Mills.

Williams, Patrick H., wounded  
at Monocacy.



Company "F," 16th Virginia Cavalry, Vol. 10—Regiments of Cavalry.

Taylor, Robert H., Captain.

Bailey, William, First Lieutenant.

Flummer, James H., Second Lieutenant.

Witten, W. H. H., Second Lieutenant.

Bailey, John.

Bailey, Pleasants.

Bailey, A. C.

Bowman, A. J.

McDowell, W. L.

Mathena, Wm. G.

Myers, A. J.

Pruitt, M. M.

Compton, William, wounded at Brandy Station.

Compton, B. F., wounded.

Compton, B. P.

Compton, W. S.

Crockett, Thos. G.

Dills, T. B.

Gillespie, Floyd.

Harman, Jno. W.

Marrs, H. W., wounded New Creek.

McDowell, W. D.

Mathena, W. T., wounded

Boonesboro, Md.

Pauley, William, died in Camp Denneson, O., buried in Camp Chase Cemetery.

Rane, J. P. wounded Winchester.

Rye, John, wounded.

Scott, Z. T.

Shrader, W. A., wounded.

Tabor, A. J., killed at Moorefield.

Totten, Wm., died at Camp Dennon, O.

Wiley, J. E.

Company "H," 16th Virginia Cavalry Roster, Vol. 10—Cavalry Regiments.

Atwell, Robert.

Bradshaw, James, died at Fort Delaware.

Harman, Dan'l H. (Bland).

Mills, Oliver, died at Fort Delaware.

Moon, Sam'l D., died at Fort Delaware.

Sick, Harrison, died and buried in Rock Island, Ill.

William, Joseph H.

Company "I," 16th Virginia Cavalry Roster, Vol. 11.  
Cavalry Regiments.

Graham, William Leander, Captain. Elected Lieutenant-Colonel of this Regiment at its reorganization in 1862. Painfully wounded at Bunker Hill June, 1863. Upon the capture of Colonel Ferguson in the winter of 1863, Colonel Graham took command of the Regiment and commanded it during the campaign of 1864. He was captured August, 1864, at Moorefield, W. Va., and held prisoner at Camp Chase until the close of the war.

Peery, William Edward, Captain. Lost arm at Boonesboro July, 1863 on retreat from Gettysburg. Captured and held a prisoner at Johnsons Island to close of war.

Whitley, John H., First Lieutenant. Captured at Monocacy Junction July 9, 1864. Held a prisoner to the close of the war.

Woods, John H., Second Lieutenant.

Thompson, Samuel, Third Lieutenant. Killed while on a reconnaissance near Burketsville and the town of Jefferson, Md., July, 1864, on General Early's advance on Washington City.

Dunn, Ferdinand S., Third Lieutenant. Succeeded Samuel Thompson.

Day, Joshua, Third Lieutenant.

Smith, John, First Sergeant. Desperately wounded at Crocketts Cove May 10, 1864.

McFadden, J. B., Corporal.

Austin, S. W.

Atwell, Robert.

Anderson, Lewie.

Bock, John.

Baugh, John, killed Monocacy  
July, 1864.

Baugh, Thomas.

Broyles, James.

Bourne, Felix, Corporal.

Burton, James.

Berger, James.

Bailey, Peyton.

Bailey, Aaron.

Bailey, Patrick.

Buchanan, Hiter.

Buchanan, Thompson.

Bowling, David.

Brown, John W.

Bauley, T. J. (Bland).

Burkett, James (Tazewell).

Carper, Jacob.

Carter, Augustus.

Crockett, Charles.

Curraim, Bee.

Compton, Flemming W.

Cline, William.

Comann, Fitz.

Duncan, Martin.

Day, Robert.

Doughton, Jessee.

Day, Lewis G.

Faulkner, Henry.

Faulkner (Montgomery), killed  
Boonesboro July, 1864.

Franklin, Henry, died Elmira,  
N. Y.

Fisher, Wm. D.

Fulton, M. B.

Greever, B. B., captured  
Liberty Mills Dec., 1864.

Gillespie, Augustus.

Graham, Samuel C., wounded in  
ankle at "Hanging Rock" in  
an attack on Hunter's Army,  
retreating from Lynchburg,  
June, 1864. Wounded in knee  
at Monocacy July, 1864.  
Wounded desperately at  
Moorefield, captured, escaped  
and rejoining command early  
spring, 1865.

Graham, James M.

Gregory, Richard.

Gregory, Thompson.

Graham, Luke.

George, Isiah.

Gill, Robert (G), killed Mono-  
cacy July, 1864.

Gill, William.

Gose, William H., captured May,  
1864, died in prison.

Groseclose, John.

Graham, Robert.

Goodman, James.

Golden, Henry.

Grimm, Peter.

Gregory, T. E., 4 years (Bland).

Groose, Hy.

Hager, Henderson.

Harry, Erasmus.

Hammond, Jacob.

Harman, E. F., killed in Mary-  
land July, 1864.

Harman, French.

Harper, George.

Hambrick, Ad.

Hedrick, John.

Hedrick, Peter.

Hager, George.

Hammer, Samuel.

Hagey, Peter H.

Johnson, John W.

Jones, P.

Kinder, Jacob.

Kinder, Frank.

Kinder, Daniel.

Kitts, John D.

Kirk, Green.

Lane, John.

McCarty, Charles, wounded  
Brandy Station, 1863.

Moore, Alfred, killed Wayne  
Co., West Va., 1864.

Moore, D. W., wounded and cap-  
tured Monocacy, 1864.

Moore, Samuel L., captured  
High Bridge, 1865.

McDonald, Lewis.

McDonald, John C., died in  
prison, 1864.



- McDonald, Floyd, died in prison,  
1864.
- Milam, Patton.
- Mathena, John.
- Mitchell, Archer.
- Micham, Augustus.
- McDonald, Edward H. (E. V).
- Mustard, J. J.
- Morton, J. C.
- Moore, George.
- Nash, John T.
- Noel, Javan.
- Poe, Jerry.
- Poe, Hezekiah.
- Puckett, Washington.
- Peery, William.
- Remines, William.
- Rigsby, Thomas.
- Rigsby, Mat.
- Reynolds, George.
- Rollins, William.
- Rollins, Allen.
- Reynolds, Milton.
- Ruble, M. A.
- St. Clair, Alex. Never sick.  
Never off duty. Never with-  
out a good horse. Never  
wounded. Two years.
- Shannon, Edward.
- Stump, David.
- Stevenson, William.
- Spence, William.
- Sint. S.
- Smith, John.
- Tabor, Henry.
- Tabor, George.
- Tabor, Alex W.
- Tabor, Jeff, died in prison at  
Ft. Delaware.
- Tabor, Samuel F.
- Tabor, John.
- Tabor, William J.
- Tabor, James R.
- Tabor, H. J., died in prison.
- Tabor, Russell B.
- Tabor, Harrison.
- Tiller, Jerry.
- Thompson, James.
- Thompson, Andy (or A. J.)
- Thompson, Oscar.
- Thomason, Robert.
- Tate, Benjamin.
- Thompson, Erastus.
- White, Augustus.
- Wilson, C. C.
- Whitley, Hugh, wounded at  
Moorefield, 1864.
- Whitley, Wesley P., captured  
May, 1864.
- Wagoner, David N. (or D. W.).
- Waddill, William.
- Whitley, Elgin L.
- Whitman, Jas. P., Adj. of the  
Regt. reorganization and so  
remained to close of war.
- Yost, David G.

This muster roll was furnished the Department of Archives at Richmond, Va., by the late Judge Samuel C. Graham, October 25, 1911.

## Company "H," 22nd Virginia Cavalry.

Higginbotham, Bailey, Captain; Higginbotham, R. Thompson,  
First Lieutenant; Brooks, Samuel, Third Lieutenant.

Asbury, John; Brooks, Campbell and Candill, Josiah.

Company "C," 34th Battalion of Cavalry Roster, Vol. 13,  
Cavalry Battalions.

Harman, Elias V., Captain, resigned.

Sayers, D. G., First Lieutenant, promoted to Captain.

Bradshaw, Thomas, Second Lieutenant.

Winn, Thomas, Third Lieutenant.

Harman, D. H., Third Lieutenant.

Harman, Wm., Third Lieutenant.

Baldwin, J. P. (Buchanan).

Browning, J. H. (Jas. Henry).

Beavers, A. J.

Cole, Phelix (Felix) (Buch-  
anan).

Cole, Andrew (Buchanan).

Cole, Joshua.

Horne, Henry (Buchanan).

Horne, Squire (Buchanan).

Harman or Hammon, Jos.

Harman or Hammon, M. S.

Harman or Harrison, J. S.

Hicks, A. J., died Columbus, O.

Keen, William, Lieutenant.

Lockhart, John, wounded (Buch-  
anan).

Moseley, William (Buchanan).

Mullins, M. (Buchanan).

Mullins, A. (Buchanan).

Mullins, J. (Buchanan).

Murphy, Henry or Hy (Taze-  
well).

Rose, S.

Sampson, J. H.

Vance, Alex., 4 years color  
bearer, wounded at Gettys-  
burg.

Wynn, A. W.

Company "E," 34th Battalion of Cavalry Roster, Vol. 13,  
Cavalry Battalions.

Yost, John, Captain, resigned August 12, 1863.

Christian, H., First Lieutenant.

Asbury (or Asbery), William, First Lieutenant, promoted to  
Captain.

Harrison, Crockett, Second Lieutenant.

Harrison, M. H., Second Lieutenant, resigned August 10, 1864.

Adams, Jones.

Altizer, Thomas.

Altizer, John, Second Lieu-  
tenant.

Chance (?) J. A.

Christian, George.

Christian, M.

Crouse, R.

Harrison, M. H., Second Lieu- tenant.	Hankins, J. Y.
Howard, J. A. (Gloucester).	Hicks, Andrew, died in prison.
Hinkle, Rich'd.	Holbrook, I. W.
Harrison, G. D.	Wingo, R. L.

MUSTER ROLL, TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN THE WAR WITH  
GERMANY.

Tazewell County Local Board: S. S. F. Harman, C. W. Greever,  
P. D. Johnston, M. D.; Chief Clerk, Nye Britts.

Government Appeal Agent For Tazewell: James W. Harman.

Medical Advisory Board No. 39—Tazewell and Buchanan: W.  
R. Williams, M. D., Chairman, Richlands; H. B. Frazier, Isaac  
Pierce, W. I. Painter, R. B. Gillespie, M. B. Crockett, E. Bancroft,  
W. E. Ritter and R. P. Copenhaver.

Legal Advisory Board for Tazewell: E. L. Greever, Chairman,  
A. S. Higginbotham, Barnes Gillespie.

Armstrong, Burnett, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 9-21-17.

Armstead, Irving, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-18; A.  
E. F., 5-1-18 to 2-19-19. In battles Alsace Loraine .....,  
front, Argonne Woods, Soissons, private; honorably discharged  
3-6-19, Camp Lee, Virginia.

Addison, Thomas Albert, Paint Lick, Va., age 29, white, 9-21-17.  
Angles, Robt. Sam, Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17, Corporal  
Co. M., 26th Inf. In battles Chatteau Thiery, Verdun, St.  
Mihiel. Honorably discharged Ft. Benj. Harrison, Ind.,  
5-15-19.

Alexander, Lee, Boissevain, Va., age 29, colored, 10-27-17.

Anderson, Willis Carl, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 10-1-17.

Abel, James Riley, Tannersville, Va., age 22, white, 9-3-18, private  
Co., 4th Eng. Tr. Reg. Honorably discharged from Camp  
Humphrey, Va., 12-30-18.

Asberry, Marion Calvin, Maxwell, Va., age 22, white, 3-30-18, mus-  
tered 4-3-18.

Absher, William B. W., Graham, Va., age 23, white, 7-25-18, mus-  
tered 8-2-18, Hospital Corps A. E. F. from 8-2-18 to 7-22-19.  
Honorably discharged Par. S. O. Camp Lee, Va., 7-22-19.

Able, Robert Henson, Tannersville, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18,  
first Sect. Tr. Br. 155th Brigade, rejected 5-27-19, heart,  
Camp Lee, Va.



Addison, Taylor, Harry Smith, Va., age 29, white, 6-24-18; rejected 6-28-18.

Asberry, Gus, North Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-22-18.

Asberry, John Johnson, Richlands, Va., age 23, white, 7-26-18, mustered 8-22-18.

Armstead, Argro, Huntington, W. Va., age 21, colored, 8-23-18, mustered 8-28-18. Private 6th Co. 2nd Battn., 155 Depot Brigade. Honorably discharged 12-16-19, Camp Lee, Va.

Allen, George, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18.

Addison, Edd Kelly, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18.

Blackstone, Clarence, Boissevain, Va., age 23, colored, 4-22-17.

Baldwin, John Robert, Tip Top, Va., age 23, colored, 10-27-17.

Bane, Herbert Odis, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 10-27-17.

Brooks, Charles Wesley, Graham, Va., age 22, colored, 10-27-17.

Discharged 11-17-17—Tuberculosis.

Billips, Charles Arthur, Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.

Birchlebach, John Robert, Indian, Va., age 23, white, 9-4-17.

Beavers, Arthur Samuel, Maxwell, Va., age 21, white, 9-4-17.

Bowman, Sidney Isaac, Tip Top, Va., age 23, white, 9-4-17.

Brown, Charles R., Jr., Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, Navy.

Baldwin, Shade Creed, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.

Discharged from Camp Green Dec. 31, 1917, disability.

Brown, James Fred, Indian, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.

Blankenship, Charley Wm., Boissevain, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.

Brown, W. D., West Graham, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17; discharged 5-2-18, S. C. D.

Barnett, James, Sayersville, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.

Bradshaw, Arthur G., Graham, Va., age 27, colored, 10-27-17.

Brinegar, Gilbert, Pocahontas, Va., age 26, white, 9-21-17.

Beavers, David Carl, Bandy, Va., age 26, white, 9-21-17.

Bradford, Will, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, colored, 10-27-17.

Blankenship, Sidney, Graham, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.

Beavers, Charlie Mose, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.

Blankenship, Lawrence W., Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.

Discharged 3-7-18, S. C. D.

Brodskie, Dan, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, 10-1-17.

Bane, Cecil Calaway, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 10-1-17.

Bowman, Charles Oata, Tip Top, Va., age 26, 10-1-17.

Brooks, Robert, Boissevain, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-17.

- Beavers, Homer, Maxwell, Va., age 23, white, 10-1-17. Private Co. A., 1st Bat. Conv. Center, Co. F. 38 Infantry, A. E. F. from 2-11-18 to 2-22-19, in battles of the Marne. Honorably discharged 4-11-19, Camp Lee, Va.
- Bane, Erwin, Burke's Garden, Va., age 26, white, 7-13-17.
- Bell, George, Pocahontas, Va., age 26, colored, 4-21-18. Rejected or discharged 4-24-18, overheight. Rejected or discharged 4-24-18, heart.
- Boray, Steve, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-18.
- Belcher, Lazie, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.
- Billips, Albert A., Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.
- Beavers, Fayette, Harman, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.
- Barker, Nelson Henry, Benhams, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17.
- Barnett, Grover Cleveland, Sayersville, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-17. Private 1st A. E. Honorably discharged 1-10-19, Newport News, Va.
- Brown, Paris, Bane, Va., age 23, white, 9-3-18, mustered, 9-9-18.
- Boyd, Jesse Marvin, Tannersville, Va., age 30, white, 3-30-18, mustered, 4-3-18.
- Bogle, Sam Buchanan, Adria, Va., age 21, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-20-18.
- Blackwell, John George, Asberry, Va., age 23, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-20-18.
- Blankenship, Wm. Jasper, Richlands, Va., age 28, white, 5-28-18, mustered, 5-29-18.
- Boggess, Bandy, Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 1-29-18, mustered, 1-31-18.
- Boatman, Wm., North Tazewell, Va., age 29, colored, 4-27-18.
- Buskill, Arthur Marvin, Richlands, Va., age 25, white, 5-6-18, mustered, 5-7-18.
- Boggess, Riffe, Richlands, Va., age 24, white, 5-6-18, mustered, 5-7-18.
- Burcham, Posy Earl, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18. Private 161 Co. B, Infantry, honorably discharged 1-8-19, Camp Meade, Md., rejected, 5-27-18. Specific.
- Barrett, William Roba, Maxwell, Va., age 26, white, 5-25-18.
- Bowman, Stanley Lee, Horsepen, Va., age 23, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Braxlon, Goeman, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, colored, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.

- Burress, James Robert, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Belcher, James Luther, Falls Mills, Va., age 28, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Butler, Otis, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, colored, 5-2-18, mustered, 5-4-18.
- Bowman, Marion, Boissevain, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18, mustered 6-7-18.
- Bailey, Emory, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 5-2-18, mustered, 5-4-18.
- Bowman, Howard S., Horsepen, Va., age 24, white, 5-25-18, mustered. 5-27-18.
- Barnes, Charley, Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 6-19-18, mustered, 6-26-18.
- Barnett, J. Raymond, Graham, Va., age 25, white, 10-14-17.
- Branson, Sonny, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, colored, 7-29-18, mustered, 8-12-18.
- Bowman, Allen. Horsepen, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18, rejected, 5-27-18.
- Buford, John, Pounding Mill, Va., age 22, colored, 6-19-18, mustered, 6-22-18.
- Booth, Otis Lee, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 23, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-19-18. Private C. D. 3rd Engineers Reg. Honorably discharged 12-12-18, Camp Humphrey, Virginia.
- Bowling, Martin Luther, North Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Barrett, Lee, Maxwell, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Buchanan, Isaac C., Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 7-7-17, mustered, 7-7-17 at Fort Slocum, N. Y., Cpl. 8-15-17, Sgt. Jan. 1, 1918, to 4-10-18; Cpl. 6-7-18, Sgt. 6-14-18 to 9-24-18. Infantry. A. E. F., 8-3-18 to 6-27-19.
- Bloch, Sidney, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Becher, George W., Indian, Va., age 22, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18. Rejected, 8-27-18. Head.
- Bandy, William, Sayersville, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18.
- Burton, James Bryant, Graham, Va., age 29, white, 5-23-18, mustered, 6-1-18.



- Beavers, George Walter, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 24, white, 9-5-18, mustered, 9-9-18.
- Beard, William J., Graham, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18.
- Brown, William Jefferson, Pounding Mill, Va., age 25, white, 18. Seaman, 2nd class, U. S. N. R. F. Honorably discharged Jan. 11, 1919.
- Bowman, David Lonzo, Horsepen, Va., age 23, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-20-18.
- Brooks, James, Shraders, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Bayles, Enoch, Pounding Mill, Va., age 22, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-19-18.
- Burroughs, Eugene Newton, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Baylor, William Frank, Graham, Va., age 27, white, 8-17-18, mustered, 8-20-18.
- Brooks, Pola Andrew, Shraders, Va., age 24, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-20-18.
- Beavers, Glenn Everett, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 27, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-26-18.
- Baldwin, Robert, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18. Rejected 6-28-18, disorder.
- Beavers, George, Clifffield, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-19-18. Private Co. "F," First Gas Regiment. Honorably discharged Feb. 2, 1919, Camp Hendrick, N. Y.
- Bourne, George Grady, Gratton, Va., age 22, white, 7-16-18. Rejected 7-24-18, teeth.
- Boone, Charles Thomas, Sayersville, Va., age 23, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Beavers, Charles M., Shraders, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18. Rejected 6-28-18. Left thumb gone.
- Ballinger, Jim, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 8-2-18, mustered, 8-5-18.
- Bruster, Shelburn G., North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-20-18.
- Blankenship, Sylvester, Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Baylor, John Ward, Wardell, Va., age 23, white, 12-18-18.
- Barnett, Bryan William, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.

- Baumgardner, Geo. Thomas, Asberry, Va., age 24, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Bowser, James William, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, July, 1917. Volunteered at Marion, Va. Embarked on Vaterland 9-18-17. Wounded July, 1918; honorably discharged Dec. 23, 1918.
- Brown, F. J., Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 8-2-18.
- Benson, William, Falls Mills, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Bales, Earnest Brown, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 8-17-18, mustered, 8-20-18.
- Bandy, George, Bandy, Va., age 21, white, 8-17-18, mustered, 8-20-18.
- Brewster, Edward Ebb., Shrader, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18. Rejected, 8-3-18, goiter.
- Bourne, Trube T., Gratton, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Bryant, William, Tazewell, Va., R. 2, age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 7-26-18. Physically disqualified 1, S. O. 212 H. Q., Camp Lee, Va. Rejected 8-3-18.
- Boothe, Peery, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Bailey, Kirk, Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18, mustered, 10-8-18.
- Boone, Rees Richard, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Brown, Oscar Edward, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18, mustered, 10-17-18.
- Burton, William Arnold, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 7-15-18.
- Barrett, Roy Thomas, Maxwell, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18, mustered, 9-9-18.
- Boyd, Roy, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18, mustered, 9-9-18. Discharged 11-2-18. S. C. D.
- Bottimore, William Gordon, Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, 10-13-18, mustered, 10-31-18. S. A. T. C.
- Bates, Benj. Elbert, Graham, Va., age 18, white, 10-13-18, mustered, 10-31-18. S. A. T. C.
- Brittain, Rufus, Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, 10-4-18, mustered, 10-4-18. S. A. T. C.

- Bane, Erwin R., age 26, white, volunteered 4-25-17, mustered at Culpeper, Va., Branch, Co. D, 2nd Va. Infantry.
- Barrett, Lawrence A., age 26, white, volunteered 4-25-17, mustered at Roanoke, Va., Co. F., Va. Infantry.
- Brown, Charles G., age 20, white, volunteered 4-25-17, mustered at East Radford, Va., Va. Field ..... No. 1.
- Bowser, William J., age 23, white, volunteered 4-25-17, mustered at Front Royall, Va., Co. D, 2nd Va. Infantry.
- Baldwin, Watts, age 23, white, volunteered 4-25-17, mustered at Front Royall, Va., Co. D, 2nd Va. Infantry.
- Brewster, Jasper, age 21, white, volunteered 4-25-17, mustered at Front Royall, Va., Co. D, 2nd Va. Infantry.
- Baldwin, John R., Tip Top, Va., age 23, colored, volunteered 10-27-17, mustered at Camp Lee, Va., 4th Co., 1st ..... Bat. Private. Honorably discharged 1-12-19, Camp Lee, Va.
- Carbaugh, Lewis H., Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 9-4-17.
- Compton, Wiley Robinson, Shawvers Mills, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.
- Cox, Herbert, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 7-29-18, mustered, 8-12-18.
- Clark, James Allen, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.
- Cordill, William, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.
- Conley, Joe, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, white, 9-21-17.
- Carter, William, Tip Top, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.
- Conner, Rufus, Pounding Mill, Va., age 24, colored, 2-14-18, mustered 2-15-18.
- Cordle, Fred B., Raven, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.
- Coleman, John Clinton, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 8-3-17.
- Coles, Arnold, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.
- Compton, James Raleigh, Cove Creek, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17, mustered, 9-21-17, Camp Lee, Va., .....Co. 318th Infantry.
- Carter, John, Red Ash, Va., age 24, white, 3-30-18, mustered, 4-3-18.
- Crockett, Henry, Graham, Va., age 26, colored, 10-27-18.
- Cohen, Roy Alexander, Graham, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17.
- Chapman, William Byrd May, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, volunteered 7-16-17.
- Crist, Nick, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17, discharged 2-25-18.



- Carson, Emerson, Boissevain, Va., age 30, colored, 10-27-17.
- Carter, Vance Witten, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 10-1-17, rejected, 7-17-18. Head.
- Coleman, William Arthur, Boissevain, Va., age 27, white, 10-1-17.
- Christian, John Willie, Harman, Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17.
- Caldwell, William Otis, Pounding Mill, Va., age 28, white, 10-8-17.
- Catron, Creed Frazier, Tip Top, Va., age 27, white, 3-30-18, mustered, 4-4-18, deserted and finally discharged.
- Creasy, Walter Preston, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.
- Coulter, John, Pocahontas, Va., age 30, colored, 10-27-17.
- Collins, A. J., Tazewell, Va., R. F. D., age 29, white, 7-16-18.
- Cox, William Cebard, North Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Crabtree, Robert Samuel, Richlands, Va., age 23, white, 7-5-17.
- Crockett, John Ed., Shradars, Va., age 29, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Clark, Levi, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 4-27-18, mustered, 5-6-18.
- Cregar, James Robert, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 3-18-18, mustered, 3-22-18.
- Cregar, Jesse Walter, Tazewell, Va., R. 2, age 28, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Cregar, Alva Brittain, Tazewell, Va., R. 2, age 23, white, 7-23-18, mustered, 8-5-18.
- Charlton, Clarence, Graham, Va., age 22, colored, 6-19-18, mustered, 6-26-18.
- Carroll, Frank F., Tazewell, Va., age 29, colored, 6-15-18, mustered, 6-20-18.
- Crabtree, Avery M., Tannersville, Va., age 21, colored, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18. Private Co. I, 132 Infantry, 2 B. & S. Dept. D. G. Honorably discharged, 5-24-19, Camp Lee, Va. In France, 9-15-18 to 5-9-19. Seriel No. 2968244.
- Carroll, John Warren, Tazewell, Va., age 23, colored, 6-15-18, mustered, 6-20-18.
- Carter, Chester, Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 7-20-18, mustered, 7-25-18, Camp Humphreys; private, Engineers. Honorably discharged 1-6-19, Camp Lee, Va.
- Coulling, Louie R., Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 4-22-18, mustered, 4-25-18.

- Christian, Vinton Victor, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Cross, Herbert B., Boissevain, Va., age 21, colored, 7-29-18, mustered, 8-21-18.
- Christian, Charles Greever, Harman, Va., age 22, white, 6-24-18, rejected 8-11-18.
- Clark, Edward Charles, Richlands, Va., age 28, white, 5-25-18, mustered, 5-27-18.
- Coen, Jesse Lee, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 10-14-17.
- Cruey, Charles R. L., Indian, Va., age 22, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Clapp, Andy, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, white, 6-24-18, rejected 6-28-18. Teeth.
- Chrisman, Claude, Pocahontas, Va., age 26, white, 7-16-18, mustered, 7-20-18.
- Cordle, Arthur, Bearwallow, Va., age 26, white, 8-2-17.
- Crabtree, Robert Marvin, Gratton, Va., age 24, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Campbell, Grover, Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Clark, Samuel, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18, mustered, 6-27-18.
- Craig, Ballard, Tazewell, Va., age 28, colored, 8-2-18, rejected 8-5-18. Abscess.
- Castello, Albert Del, Richlands, Va., age 26, white, 9-5-18, mustered, 9-9-18.
- Carter, Samuel William, Tip Top, Va., age 26, white, 6-3-18.
- Crider, Dan, Graham, Va., age 26, colored, 8-2-18, mustered, 8-5-18.
- Coon, Bishop Hicks, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 7-12-18.
- Collins, Daniel Frank, Boissevain, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-1-18. Discharged.
- Crouse, James Thomas, Cedar Bluff, Va., R. 1, age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Carter, David Lee, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 6-17-18. Rejected 8-24-18. Mental.
- Cochran, Thomas, Maxwell, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Cregar, Lum, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18.

- Cole, William Henry, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 8-2-18.
- Clark, Jesse Ben, Coopers, W. Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18, mustered, 9-9-18.
- Crabtree, William Pamplin, Richlands, Va., age 20, white, 10-19-18, mustered, 10-19-18. S. A. T. C.
- Campbell, Thomas Healy, Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, 10-5-18, mustered, 10-9-18. S. A. T. C.
- Crockett, Robert V., Tip Top, Va., age 20, white, 10-4-18, mustered. S. A. T. C.
- Deskins, William, Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 10-1-17, mustered, 11-7-18 from Camp Lee, Va. Battles Ortois Sector, July 23rd to Aug. 18, 1918; St. Mihiel Offensive, 12th to 16th Sept., 1918; Meuse Argonne Offensive, Sept. 26 to Oct. 12, 1918.
- Dingus, Hasten, Raven, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-17.
- Dunnigan, Luther Henry, Gratton, Va., age 28, white, 8-8-17.
- Davidson, J. P., Graham, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.
- Dillow, Samuel, Tazewell, Va., R. No. 2, age 28, white, 3-30-18, Co. A, 2nd Development Battalion, 155 Depot Brigade, Nat'l Army, rejected 7-27-18, Camp Lee, Va.
- Davis, Hugh Cornelius, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 3-30-18.
- Davis, Charles, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 3-6-18.
- Dillow, George Thomas, Asberry, Va., age 24, white, 3-30-18, mustered, 7-24-18.
- Dillow, Roe, Tazewell, Va., age 28, white, 7-16-18.
- Deaton, Joseph Elliott, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 12-14-17.
- Davis, Robert Samuel, Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18.
- Davidson, Jas. Miller, Graham, Va., age 23, white, 7-23-18.
- Duncan, Baxter, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, mustered, 7-19-19, Camp Lee, Va., Sgt. from Corpl., 2-18-19, Transportation Corps; A. E. F., 10-31-18 to 7-6-19.
- Davis, Henry Albert, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18.
- Dennen, Alfred V., Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 12-11-17.
- Davis, Robert, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 8-2-18.
- Deaton, George F., Pocahontas, Va., age 30, white, 5-25-18.
- Doak, James R., Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 6-1917, volunteered.
- Dunnington, Arthur Blaine, Gratton, Va., age 23, white, 12-14-17.
- Dennison, John, Tazewell, Va., age 23, colored, 8-2-18, rejected 8-5-18.



- Dalton, Charles Smith, Richlands, Va., age 23, white, 7-23-18.
- Dawson, James, Richlands, Va., age 28, white, 6-24-18.
- Dunford, Avery, Harman, Va., age 23, white, 7-16-18, rejected 7-24-18.
- Denny, Graham, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18, rejected 7-28-18.
- Daniel, John Frank, Horsepen, Va., age 30, white, 7-16-18.
- Deaton, Marshall, Alfredton, Va., age 21, white, 8-27-18.
- Davis, James Henry, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18.
- Dudley, Charles Hugh, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18.
- Honorably discharged from Camp Lee, Va., 12-16-19.
- Dillen, Will Allis, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18.
- Edwards, Leland S., Burke's Garden, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.
- Edwards, Newton Harman, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.
- Epperson, Jesse Lee, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.
- Eagle, Haz, Raven, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.
- Eagle, M. E., Burke's Garden, Va., white, volunteered Pulaski, Tenn.
- Elkins, Thomas W., Raven, Va., age 30, white, 3-30-18, rejected 4-2-18.
- Earnest, Jesse F., Graham, Va., age 22, white, 6-18-17, Navy.
- Ellett, Frank Chalmers, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 12-11-17.
- Earles, James H. (John), Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18, rejected 5-27-18.
- Edmonds, James Walten, Adria, Va., age 24, white, 8-17-18, rejected 8-24-18.
- Edwards, William Ray, Burke's Garden, Va., age 21, white 5-25-18.
- Edwards, Joddie, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 5-3-18.
- Edwards, Walter Clinton, Burk's Garden, Va., age 30, white, 7-16-18.
- Epperson, John Gideon, Pocahontas, Va., R. 1, age 24, white, 7-16-18.
- Elswick, James O., Coaldan, Va., age 23, white, 5-17-18. Honorably discharged 12-7-18, Camp McClellan, Ala.
- French, Albert Pendleton, Tannersville, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.
- Farris, Joseph, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17, said to have been killed in France, 1918.
- Franklin, Eugene, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 4-27-18.

- Franklin, Andrew Sid, Bossevain, Va., age 27, white, 9-3-18.  
Flannery, Emory Lee, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17.  
Faulkner, Wm. Chafe, Jr., Boissevain, Va., age 27, white, 3-7-18.  
Fields, Randolph Henry, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 24, white, 5-10-18,  
rejected 5-12-18.  
Flannery, Robert Guy, Richlands, Va., age 24, white, 5-25-18.  
Fuller, Frank, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 8-2-18.  
Froe, I. H., Graham, Va., age 25, colored, 8-2-18.  
Farmer, Charley, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18.  
Ford, Leigha, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 9-17-18.  
Flemming, William, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, colored, 8-2-18.  
Farmer, Clinton, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18.  
French, Willie Guy, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 6-3-18.  
Navy.  
Ford, William McKinley, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 9-5-18.  
Fields, James Edgar, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18.  
Frazier, Tyler McCall, Graham, Va., age 18, white, 10-4-18. Dis-  
charged 12-10-18 from Roanoke College, S. A. T. C.  
Glenn, Ben, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 10-27-17.  
Greever, William Cosby, Witten Mills, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17.  
Gillespie, Charles M., Witten Mills, Va., age 27, white, 9-4-17.  
Gillespie, Harvey George, Pounding Mill, Va., age 25, white,  
9-21-17.  
Gant, Aubrey John, Boissevain, Va., age 26, colored, 7-9-18.  
Green, Charles, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 4-28-18.  
Gatewood, Edward, Graham, Va., age 28, colored, 2-19-18.  
Gose, Charles Joseph, Burke's Garden, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.  
Green, Reuben Pendleton, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.  
Gant, Clarence, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, colored, 10-27-17.  
Gentry, George Thomas, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 10-1-17.  
Griffith, Benjamin H., Coaldan, Va., age 28, white, 10-23-17, re-  
jected 7-25-18.  
Green, Samuel William, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.  
Guess, Joseph W., Doran, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.  
Gillespie, Stuart, North Tazewell, Va., age 26, colored, 10-27-17.  
Griffith, Robert, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.  
Gillespie, Thomas Walter, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18.  
Gillespie, Jesse Samuel, Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 5-13-18.  
Gibson, Mack, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 28, white, 5-25-18.



Graham, Samuel Walton, Graham, Va., age 28, white, volunteered, 12-16-17. Honorably discharged 3-10-19, Columbus Barracks, Ohio. Served overseas from 7-30-18 to 1-30-19 Co. "C," 1st Artillery, C. A. C.

Goodman, Julius, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 12-11-17.

George, Lacy, Pocahontas, Va., age 26, colored, 12-11-17.

Graham, Hal Gordon, Graham, Va., age 21, white, volunteered, 7-25-17. Honorably discharged from Camp Lee 5-27-19. Reached France June 28, 1917; sent to Center Sector, Alsace, then to Meuse—Argonne Offensive; sailed from France May, 1919.

Guillion, Adam Otto, Tip Top, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18, rejected, 5-27-18.

Goodman, Clarence W., Graham, Va., age 22, colored, 6-19-18.

Gallman, Forace, Alfredton, Va., age 26, white, 6-28-18.

Graham, Edd Coaldan, Va., age 30, white, 7-29-18.

Gyddsh, George, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, white, 5-25-18.

Gross, Robert B., Maxwell, Va., age 23, white, 7-26-18.

Gussian, Andro But, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, white, 8-13-18.

Gilliam, Sellers, Jewell Ridge, Va., age 25, colored, 8-2-18.

Gillespie, Robert R. H., North Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 7-16-18.

Gibson, Charles J., Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18.

Gose, George Benoni, Burk's Garden, Va., age 24, white, 8-17-18.

Glenville, Frederick William, Richlands, age 28, white, 7-10-18.

Gillespie, Robert Felix, Pounding Mill, Va., age 23, white, 1-5-18.

Groseclose, Roby McKinley, Boissevaine, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18, rejected, 8-3-18.

Graham, John Arthur, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 8-13-18.

Green, Walter, Nemours, W. Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18.

Goodman, Lacy, Grāham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18.

Gyddosh, Paul, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 7-22-18, Navy.

Gravely, Ernest Buston, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18.

Gilmer, Henry Franklin, Castlewood, Va., age 21, white, 6-7-18.

Garland, Charles Dewey, Graham, Va., age 19, 10-4-18, S. A. T. C.

Gillespie, Robert Gratton, Tip Top, Va., age 20, white, volunteered, 3-25-17, discharged 12-7-18, S. A. T. C., Roanoke College.

Gillespie, William G., age 18, white, volunteered, 3-25-17, Culpeper, Va., Co. "B," 2nd Va. Inf.

Graham, Hal. G., Graham, Va., white, mustered, 7-25-17, San. Dept. 1st Va. Inf.



- Hogston, Daniel Clayburn, Coaldan, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.
- Horne, James Stanley, Gratton, Va., age 26, white, volunteered, 3-25-17, Front Royal, Va., Co. "D," 2nd Va. Inf.
- Hodge, Raish, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, colored, 9-27-17.
- Hopkins, James Frank, Boissevaine, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17, discharged 10-2-18.
- Howery, Thomas Albert, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 9-4-17.
- Hill, Roby Kellis, Boissevaine, Va., age 23, white, 9-4-17.
- Harman, William, Shradars, Va., age 30, white, 9-21-17.
- Holly, Hampton, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 10-27-17.
- Harman, Robt. P., North Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 9-4-17.
- Henry, William, Burk's Garden, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17. Died at Camp Lee, Va.
- Holmes, Edward Albert, Tannersville, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.
- Harman, Charles Dale, Graham, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-18, Marines.
- Harrison, Thomas Robert, Tazewell, Va., R. 1, age 28, white, 3-18-18, Marines.
- Hall, Luther, Tazewell, Va., R. 1, age 29, white, 9-21-17, discharged 2-6-19, Camp Lee, Va.
- Hall, Earl Preston, Indian, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.
- Haskins, James, Tip Top, Va., age 25, colored, 10-27-17.
- Horton, Ira Edward, Richlands, Va., age 23, white, 3-30-18.
- Harman, Frazier, Graham, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.
- Hall, Will, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-17.
- Harless, James Robert, Richlands, Va., age 25, white, 3-30-18. Honorably discharged 6-9-19 from Camp Dix. Gassed Oct. 10, 1918, Verdun (Co. "A," 319 Inf. 8th Div.).
- Hightower, Willie, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, colored, 4-29-18.
- Hickmond, Wm. A. D., Pocahontas, Va., age 30, colored, 10-27-17.
- Hunt, Henry, Sayersville, Va., age 24, white, 10-1-17.
- Howe, Jonnie, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-17.
- Harman, Lee, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 10-1-17.
- Horton, Earl, Tazewell, Va., age 24, colored, 10-27-17.
- Holly, Raleigh, Tazewell, Va., age 23, colored, 10-27-17.
- Hunter, Otey William, Graham, Va., age 28, colored, 10-27-17.
- Hankins, Walter Lee, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.
- Hodge, Cary John, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-17.
- Hughes, Charles, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17.
- Hutson, Hampton, Pocahontas, Va., age 26, white, 10-8-17.

- Harris, David Paul, Richlands, Va., age 23, white (8-7-17—3-30-18).
- Hankins, Thomas, Sayersville, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-18.
- Harper, Robert, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 10-27-17.
- Harber, Frank, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 10-27-17.
- Huidley, Charles Chester, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.
- Holland, Van June, Graham, Va., age 26, colored, 10-27-17.
- Holmes, Dr. E. A., Broadford, Va., age 35, white, volunteered 9-12-18, 1st Lieut. Medical Dept., U. S. A., Asst. Surgeon in 12th and other Battalions, 153 Depot Brigade, Camp Dix, N. J. Honorably discharged March 4, 1919.
- Howery, John Ed., Tazewell, Va., age 30, white, 3-30-18.
- Harman, Daniel Robert, Maxwell, Va., age 22, white, vol. 7-25-17, (8-3-17), Field Hosp. No. 1.
- Harmit, Mathew Butler, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 9-24-17, (Marines).
- Herald, Will, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 5-10-18.
- Hurley, Will Neal, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 6-6-17, Navy.
- Hobbs, Charles F., North Tazewell, Va., age 22, colored, 4-27-18. Honorably discharged Feb. 24, 1919, Camp Lee, Va., Sgt. in Depot Brigade, T. C.
- Hankins, Timothy, Cedar Bluff, R. 1, age 23, white, 5-10-18.
- Harman, George H., Cedar Bluff, R. 1, age 23, white, 5-25-18.
- Hall, Andrew J., Indian, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.
- Henderson, Frank R., Pocahontas, Va., age 24, white, 8-17-18.
- Hankins, Albert Claude, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 5-23-18.
- Hairston, Andrew, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 7-27-18.
- Harper, Allen, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 8-2-18.
- Hagy, Roy Lee, Tannersville, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.
- Harman, Eugene Claude, Graham, Va., age 29, white, 6-20-17, Navy.
- Hess, James, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18. Honorably discharged from Camp Humphreys 12-19-18. Engineers.
- Harrisson, Rufus Crockett, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 1-10-18, Navy.
- Haley, Henry Thomas, Tazewell, Va., age 26, white, 9-26-17.
- Harrisson, William H., Sayersville, Va., age 24, white, 5-25-18.
- Holley, John Johnson, Tazewell, Va., age 28, colored, 6-15-18. Honorably discharged from Camp Lee 7-6-19, 80th Pioneer Inf.
- Humphrey, Harry A., Tazewell, Va., R. 1, age 28, white, 5-25-18.



- Heldreth, Joseph Brown, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 12-14-17.
- Hill, Edward W., Falls Mills, Va., age 24, white, 5-25-18.
- Hodges, Irvin Ben, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18.
- Hunnel, John, West Graham, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18.
- Hopkins, Lloyd, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 5-25-18, rejected 6-9-18.
- Hunter, Paul Peery, Richlands, Va., age 30, white, 5-27-18.
- Hopkins, Robert Smith, N. Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 1-20-18, Marines.
- Hanshaw, Henry Mullins, Burk's Garden, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.
- Heldreth, John Clarence, Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 6-24-18.
- Helmandollar, Lee, Shraders, Va., age 26, white, 6-24-18.
- Hoops, Lee, North Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 7-26-18. Honorably discharged 6-28-19 from Camp Lee, Va. Private 43 Trans. A. E. F. from 10-16-18 to 6-16-19.
- Henkle, John Jasper, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 1-10-18.
- Hall, George Otis, N. Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 7-26-18, rejected, 8-3-18.
- Hunnel, Arthur, Pounding Mill, Va., age 22, white, 5-25-18.
- Hall, William, N., Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 7-16-18. Honorably discharged 12-14-18 from Camp Humphreys, Va., Engineers.
- Hess, Amos, Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 5-25-18.
- Harrisson, Daniel Henry, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, white, 1-15-18, (Vol.) Norfolk, Va. Coxswain U. S. N. R. F. 49, released from active duty 1-17-19, Baltimore, Md.
- Harris, Thomas Milton, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18.
- Holley, Simon P., Tazewell, Va., age 24, colored, 6-15-18.
- Harmon, Rufus, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 30, white, 7-16-18, rejected, 7-25-18.
- Howell, Thomas M., Burk's Garden, Va., age 22, white, 7-16-18, rejected, 7-24-18.
- Hooker, George C., Wardell, Va., age 24, white, 7-16-18.
- Harry, Sid, Graham, Va., age 25, white, 6-24-18.
- Harman, Roscoe McClure, Tip Top, Va., age 21, colored, 8-2-18.
- Helton, Ira E., Richlands, Va., age 21, white, vol. 9-9-17. Honorably discharged 6-6-19 from Mitchell Field, Long Island, N. Y. Inf.
- Harris, Harman, Tip Top, Va., age 22, colored, 8-2-18.



- Hoops, Robert L., Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18.
- Harman, William, Sayersville, Va., age 25, white, 7-26-18.
- Hager, William Prevo, Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 6-24-18.
- Herald, Otto, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, white, 6-24-18.
- Houchins, John, Bossevain, Va., age 25, white, 7-16-18, rejected,  
7-25-18.
- Harris, Robert Arthur, Pounding Mill, Va., age 27, white, 7-16-18.
- Hays, James Bishop, Richlands, Va., age 27, white, 6-24-18. Dis-  
charged, 8-5-18.
- Hughes, Thomas, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 7-26-18.
- Harman, Bryant, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, white, 7-16-18.
- Helmandollar, Walter L., Shraders, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18.  
Honorably discharged 11-6-19, 1st Class Private War Escort  
Co. 237, A. S. C., A. E. F. France and Germany from 9-14-18  
to 10-31-19.
- Hodge, Arthur (Othey), Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 7-26-18,  
rejected, 8-3-18.
- Higginbotham, Ulyses, Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18.
- Harris, James, Boissevaine, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18.
- Higginbotham, James, Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 8-15-18.  
Honorably discharged from Camp Lee, Va., 1-11-19.
- Heninger, Edward Franklin, Tazewell, Va., R. 1, age 21, white,  
8-26-18, rejected, 8-31-18.
- Hall, John Lee, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18, rejected  
9-10-18.
- Harris, Hobert, Tip Top, Va., age 21, colored, 9-25-18.
- Hall, Birtie, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18, rejected,  
9-10-18.
- Hufford, James Hudson, Graham, Va., age 19, white, 10-11-18,  
S. A. T. C.
- Hankins, Walter Henry, Richlands, Va., age 20, white, 10-19-18,  
S. A. T. C.
- Hawthorne, Hugh R., Tazewell, Va., age 33, white, 11-6-18, O.  
T. S.
- Hapker, Joseph N., Jr., Graham, Va., age 19, white, 10-7-18, S.  
A. T. C.
- Hewson, Thomas S. (or L), vol. 7-25-17, Charlottesville Co. "D,"  
1st Va. Inf.
- Houchins, George B., vol. 4-25-17, Culpeper, Va., Co. "B," 2nd  
Va. Inf.

Harman, Robert W., Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, vol. 7-5-18.  
Honorably discharged from Camp Funston, Kan. 1-25-19. Sgt.  
(Line) Co. "A," 10th Am. Train.

Harman, David N., Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, vol. 5-11-18,  
Navy U. S. S. Anniston. Honorably discharged 8-20-19.

Ingram, Sam, Burk's Garden, Va., age 26, colored, mustered,  
8-5-18.

Ingle, Henry.

Jennings, George Raymond, Alfredton, Va., age 25, white, dis-  
charged 4-17-18.

Johnson, Charles Robert, age 27, colored, 10-27-17.

Jones, Joseph C., Graham, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-18.

Johnson, Timothy Elias, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-17.

Jackson, Herbert, Raven Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.

Jeter, Chesley Albert, Alfredton, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.

Jones, James Wm., N. Tazewell, Va., age 30, white, 9-21-17.

Jackson, Taylor, Richlands, Va., age 24, white, 7-16-18.

Jackson, Granville, Pocahontas, Va., age 30, colored, 10-27-17.

Jenkins, Walter I., Pocahontas, Va., age 26, white, 3-30-18.

Johnson, Joseph Elbert, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 1-7-18.

Jones, Burl, Wittens Mills, Va., age 23, white, 5-25-18.

Jones, Walter A., Tip Top, Va., age 22, white, volunteered, 7-16-18.

Jones, Robert Lee, Horsepen, Va., age 23, white, 5-25-18.

Jordan, Jefferson S., Burke's Garden, Va., age 24, colored, 5-2-18.

Johnson, Arthur, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 6-19-18.

Johnson, Edd, Wardell, Va., age 27, white, 7-16-18.

Johnson, Grant, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 7-29-18.

Jeffries, Eddie, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 7-29-18.

Johnson, James Vernon, Tazewell, Va., age 29, white, 2-16-18.

Jordan, Charles, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 7-29-18.

Jackson, Marion I., Raven, Va., age 23, white, 3-18-18.

Jackson, Edward Lewis, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 5-16-18.

Jones, Roscoe Kelly, Graham, Va., age 24, white, 9-15-17.

Johnson, Eugene, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, white, 6-24-18.

Jackson, Jerry, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 8-2-18.

Jones, Henry Alexander, Horsepen, Va., age 25, white, 6-24-18.

Jackson, Walter W., Pocahontas, Va., age 20, colored, 10-17-18.

S. A. T. C.

Johnson, Joseph N., Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, 10-4-18, S. A. T. C.

Jones, John R., age 20, white, 4-25-17.

Johnson, L. E., Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 5-7-17.

Kitts, Joseph Frazier, Burk's Garden, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.

Kenevar, Johan, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, white, 9-23-18.

Kiser, William Gent, Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.

Kirk, Christian Thomas, Boissevain, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.

Kiser, Fletcher, Jewell Ridge, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.

Kelly, Alonzo Hyatt, Richlands, Va., age 25, white, mustered, 6-1-18.

King, Henry, Tazewell, Va., age 25, colored, 10-27-17.

Keesee, William Thomas, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 3-30-18.

Kelly, James G., Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 11-12-17.

Kiser, Walter E., Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 6-1-18.

Karr, Jesse Moore, West Graham, Va., age 26, white, 5-25-18.

Kinder, Newton Roy, Witten Mills, Va., age 30, white, 7-20-18.

Keister, Roy Howard, Tannersville, Va., age 23, white, 6-10-18.

Kee, Rolen, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 9-11-18.

Keister, Oscar Heath, Tannersville, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.

Kitts, Claude G., Richlands, Va., age 23, white, 5-27-18.

Kacherlies, Oscar John, Pocahontas, Va., age 30, white, 5-27-18.

Keesee, John Tyler, N. Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 8-20-18.

Kinder, Charles George, Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 7-20-18.

Kitts, David Roscoe, N. Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 5-14-18.

Kinder, Grover Lee, Maxwell, Va., age 23, white, 7-20-18.

Kitts, Robert Ernest, N. Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 5-14-18.

Kinder, James Robert, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-20-18.

Keister, David Clyde, Tannersville, Va., age 25, white, 12-6-17.

Kinder, William Frank, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.

Kiser, Hubert Elmer, N. Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, 10-31-18,  
S. A. T. C.

Kish, Joe S., Jr., age 18, white, 5-1-18, volunteered.

Lester, James Crockett, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.

Lambert, Paris H., Raven, Va., age 26, white, 9-21-17, discharged  
2-8-19.

Lambert, Titus, (now) Bluefield, W. Va., age 22, white, 7-16-18,  
Co. "C," 130th Eng. Br., discharged 7-19-19 Camp Lee, Va.



Lawrence, Charles, Graham, Va., age 26, white, 8-2-18.  
Litz, Beverly D., Graham, Va., age 28, white, 9-21-17.  
Leffel, Samuel Erastus, Shawvers Mill, Va., age 26, white, 4-3-18.  
Leffel, Robert Craige, Shawvers Mill, Va., age 28, white, 12-17-17.

Discharged 2-19-19, Navy.

Lambert, John Cleveland, Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 10-1-17.  
Leffler, Robert Lockhart, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.  
Lawrence, John W., honorably discharged 12-16-18.  
Longworth, Robert Lee, Graham, Va., age 29, white, 6-11-17.  
Lee, William Allen, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.  
Lewis, Lacy Benjamine, Tazewell, Va., age 24, colored, 7-1-18.  
Lambert, Thomas H., Raven, Va., age 28, white, 5-12-18.  
Lowe, William Whitt, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 23, white, 5-27-18.  
Lambert, James Truby, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.  
Lambert, Adam Bittle, Graham, Va., age 24, white, 5-27-18.  
Lubliner, Sam J., Pocahontas, Va., age 26, white, 12-14-18.  
Lowe, Thomas Lawrence, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 6-20-17.  
Lockhart, Wm. S., North Tazewell, Va., age 30, white, 6-1-18.  
Lawrence, James Robert Jr., Wittens Mills, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.  
Lankford, Luther James, N. Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.  
Lawrence, Clarence E., N. Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 5-27-18.  
Lovell, Walter D., Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.  
Leece, James, Graham, Va., age 23, colored, 8-5-18.  
Lockwood, Christopher, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.  
Luke, William Jordan, Bossevain, Va., age 25, white, 3-22-18.  
Lambert, Titus, Shawvers Mills, Va., age 21, white, 7-20-18.  
Lawson, William Albert, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-19-18.  
Lockhart, William Eli, Pounding Mill, Va., age 22, white, 6-27-18.  
Lawson, Arthur W., Graham, Va., age 21, white, 6-27-18.  
Lambert, Seldon Crockett, Burk's Garden, Va., age 23, white, 6-27-18.  
Lewis, Victor Hugo, Tazewell, Va., age 28, white, 6-27-18.  
Lethcoe, Robert Andrew, Boissevain, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.  
Lanier, Ira, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, col. 8-5-18.  
Lowe, Edd Herman, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 7-20-18.  
Lambert, Abb, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 7-27-18.  
Lowe, Sylvester, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 7-20-18.  
Lawrence, John Wyatt, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 8-5-18.  
Lambert, Fred, Bandy, Va., age 21, white, 7-23-18.

- Long, Robert Thomas, Maxwell, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Lockhart, James E. P., Paint Lick, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Lambert, Robert Frazier, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Litz, James Edd, Graham, Va., age 18, white, 10-19-18, S. A. T. C.  
Logan, Horace Bowser, Pocahontas, Va., age 20, colored, 11-21-18,  
S. A. T. C.  
Lawford, Thomas Wright, Pocahontas, Va., age 18, white, 10-1-18,  
S. A. T. C.  
Luke, William J., volunteered at Culpeper, Va., age 23, white,  
5-1-18.  
Lowe, George W., volunteered at Culpeper, Va., age 20, white,  
4-25-17.  
Lawson, Channel A., volunteered at Culpeper, Va., age 21, white,  
4-25-17.  
Lowe, Grant, volunteered May, 1917 A. E. F., 10-18-17.  
Lowe, Vess C., volunteered at Culpeper, Va., age 24, white, 4-25-17.  
Lowe, Crockett, volunteered at Culpeper, Va., age 18, white, 3-25-17.  
Lowe, Lindsey, volunteered at Culpeper, Va., age 32, white, 3-25-17.  
Lawson, Ewing Waters, Burke's Garden, Va., age 35, white, 8-23-18.
- Maxwell, Robert Leslie, Maxwell, Va., age 28, white, 9-3-17.  
Mitchell, William, Jr., Graham, Va., age 30, white, 9-21-17.  
Mowles, Cecil Addison, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 1-20-18.  
Music, William, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.  
Marrs, Thomas Augustus, Adria, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.  
Morton, Arthur Price, Graham, Va., age 23, white.  
Molton, James, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-17.  
Meadows, Robert, Coaldan, Va., age 22, white, 9-4-17.  
Moss, Vinton Robert, Burke's Garden, age 23, white, 1-24-18.  
Moseley, Lee, Boissevain, Va., age 29, colored, 10-27-17.  
Mahone, David Acuff, Boissevain, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-18.  
Morris, Jesse M., Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored.  
Meredith, Hubert Pontell, Burk's Garden, Va., age 29, white,  
4-3-18.  
Mallory, Mark S., Red Ash, Va., age 22, white, 7-23-17.  
Martin, Glen White, Richlands, Va., age 24, white, 9-21-17.  
Mack, James, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 10-27-17.  
Munday, Reese, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.  
Macaro, Joseph Anthony, Graham, Va., age 28, white, 4-2-18.  
Maddox, Simon, Boissevain, Va., age 24, colored, 10-27-17.



- Matney, Thomas Elbert, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, colored, 10-27-17.  
Meadows, Marvin Edwin, Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.  
Maxwell, Isaac Drayton, Whitwood, Va., age 27, white, 4-3-18.  
Mathena, Columbus Moore, N. Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 5-12-18.  
Mahood, Robert H., Graham, Va., age 26, white, 6-1-18.  
Mitchell, George W., Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Murray, Will Reese, Horsepen, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.  
Moore, James Archibald, N. Tazewell, Va., age 28, white, 5-25-18.  
May, Thomas Lee, Adria, Va., age 29, white, 6-1-18.  
Morehead, Andrew, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, colored, 6-26-18.  
May, Samuel Davidson, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 3-19-18.  
Melfa, Joe, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 10-26-17.  
Moore, George Spotts, Tazewell, Va., age 28, white, 5-27-18.  
Moore, Joseph, Tazewell, Va., age 24, colored, 8-12-18.  
Myers, Lee, N. Tazewell, Va., age 26, white.  
Morgan, Robert Owen, N. Tazewell, Va., age 29, white, 5-27-18.  
Medley, Charles Franklin, Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 6-30-17.  
Moore, Thomas L., Graham, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Moore, Robert Henry, Tazewell, Va., age 29, white, 6-6-17.  
Morris, William Edward, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 8-12-18.  
Morgan, Charlie, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 7-20-18.  
Murphy, William, Tazewell, Va., age 27, colored, 8-12-18.  
Mitchell, Edward A. S., Asberry, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Moore, Charles, N. Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 6-1-18.  
Mackosky Ignatz, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, white, 7-3-18.  
May, William Leece, Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 9-27-17.  
Magrill, Morris, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 6-27-17.  
Morton, Lura, Boissevain, Va., age 21, colored, 8-5-18.  
Mattox, Charles D., Pocahontas, Va., age 24, white, 12-12-17.  
Marrs, William Dudley, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, white, 4-3-18.  
Moore, James M., Graham, Va., age 30, white, 6-27-18.  
Martin, George C., Pounding Mill, Va., age 23, white, 8-2-18.  
Mallory, Paul, Red Ash, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Martin, Thomas Fairfax, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-1-18.  
Marshall, Louis Cleveland, Boissevain, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Macom, Henry Flemming, Graham, Va., age 19, white, 10-8-18,  
S. A. T. C.



Mitchell, Thomas H., Pocahontas, Va., age 20, colored, 10-21-18,  
S. A. T. C.

Moore, Barnes Thompson, Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, 10-10-18,  
S. A. T. C.

Morton, Arthur P., age 23, white, enlisted 6-30-17, Richmond, Va.

Mobray, John M., age 23, white, enlisted 6-26-17, Richmond, Va.

Martin, John, age 20, white, enlisted Culpeper, Va., 4-25-17.

Mallory, Marks S., age 22, white, enlisted Front Royal, 4-25-17.

Meyers, Lee, age 27, white, enlisted Front Royal, Va., 4-25-17.

Mosk, Walter, age 19, white, enlisted Culpeper, Va., 3-27-17.

Moore, James, age 21, white, Camp Meade, 7-31-18.

Moore, James Herbert, M. D., Pocahontas, Va., age 36, white, 1st  
Lieut. Med. Corps, enlisted October 26, 1918, discharged  
Dec. 20, 1918.

McGlothlin, Henry J., Raven, Va., age 28, white, 9-21-18.

McGuire, Lindsay, N. Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17.

McGhee, Walter, Raven, Va., age 22, white, 8-3-17.

McMullin, Samuel C., Tip Top, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17.

McCall, William E., Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17.

McMeans, Frazier Buford, Burk's Garden, age 23, white, 7-13-17.

McNeely, James Okey, Boissevaine, Va., age 25, white, 3-30-18.

McBride, George Gordon, N. Tazewell, age 23, white, 7-12-18.

McCall, George William, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 22, white, 5-16-18.

McMullen, Harvey Grat, Witten Mills, Va., age 21, white, 5-13-18.

McKinney, Henry Guy, Jewell Ridge, Va., age 21, white, 5-25-18.

McCall, Henry L., Sayersville, Va., age 23, white, 5-2-18.

McFarland, Lawrence W., N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.

McMeans, Albert Lester, Burk's Garden, Va., age 21, white,  
5-25-18.

McMullen, William Lewis, Tip Top, Va., age 25, white, 7-1-18.

McGuire, George Peery, Sayersville, Va., age 23, white, 7-16-18.

McGuire, Eugene Lanoy, Burk's Garden, Va., age 22, white, 7-16-18.

McCall, Robert Daniel, Sayersville, Va., white, 30, 5-25-18.

McFarland, Ellis V., N. Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 7-26-18.

McGuire, George O., N. Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 3-30-18.

McGlothlin, Charles Grat, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 6-24-18.

McHenry, Archie Patton, Richlands, Va., age 22, white, 6-24-18.

McGlothlin, Lorenza A., Raven, Va., age 27, white, 7-16-18.

McMullen, John Ernest, Wittens Mills, Va., age 21, white, 7-24-18.

McCollum, Cecil E., Pocahontas, Va., age 18, colored, 10-17-18,  
S. A. T. C.

McCall, Victor W., Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, 10-9-18,  
S. A. T. C.

McGuire, John, enlisted 3-25-17, Roanoke, Va.

Neel, Gordon Thomas, West Graham, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.

Newman, John H., Graham, Va., age 28, white, 9-4-17.

Nash, Guy Henry, Graham, Va., age 26, white, 9-21-17.

Neel, Robert Sidney, Cove Creek, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.

Neel, Suddeth Walton, Graham, Va., age 29, white, 9-21-17.

Nicewonder, George C., Bandy, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.

Neal, Willey Stuart, Asberry, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.

Neel, John Estill, Pounding Mill, Va., age 23, white, 8-17-18.

Neel, Henry Clarence, Shawver Mills, Va., age 27, white, 10-8-17.

Neel, James Thornton, Shawver Mills, Va., age 29, white, 6-27-18.

Nash, Fred Thomas, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.

Newton, James Alderman, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.

Newberry, Wiley, Raven, Va., age 23, white, 7-26-18.

Neel, James Corbett, West Graham, Va., age 23, white, 3-30-18.

Nichols, George, Sayersville, Va., age 22, white, 3-30-18.

Neel, Ira Lacey, Shawvers Mill, Va., age 22, white, 5-12-18.

Neal, James Henry, West Graham, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.

Norman, Henry Guy, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 27, white, 5-27-18.

Nickerson, Robert A., Graham, Va., age 30, colored, 7-13-18.

Neal, James Beverly, Asberry, Va., age 29, white, 12-15-17.

Nash, Traveling Milton, Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 6-20-18.

Neel, Levi Walker, Cove Creek, Va., age 28, white, 7-20-18.

Nixon, William Herald, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 11-29-17.

Neal, Bud, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 1-10-18.

Neel, Vance Clayton, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 7-4-18.

Neel, William Henry, West Graham, age 21, white, 7-26-18.

Neel, James, Curtis, Graham, Va., age 20, white, 7-18-18.

Newton, John Milton, Jr., Pocahontas, Va., 10-9-18.

Newton, Maury Claiborne, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, U. S.  
Naval Aviation Corps 3-8-18, volunteered.

Neel, William Alexander, Richlands, Va., age 18, 11-18-18, S. A.  
T. C.

Nelson, Lawrence O., volunteered Richmond, Va., 6-30-17.

Nipper, Kyle, volunteered Culpeper, Va., 3-25-17.



Owens, Lacy, Graham, Va., age 28, colored, 10-27-18.  
Osborne, William Havey, Tannersville, Va., age 22, white, 7-20-18.  
Osborne, Isaiah, Wardell, Va., age 23, white, 6-27-18.  
Osborne, Vista, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 3-25-17, volunteered.  
Osborne, Neely, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.

Pruett, Bart Edwin, Pounding Mill, Va., age 28, white, 3-18-18.  
Pauley, Rush Floyd, Boissevain, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.  
Phillips, William Henry, Pounding Mill, Va., age 26, white, 7-20-18.  
Pack, Robert, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 4-3-18.  
Powers, Charles George, Tip Top, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17.  
Phillips, William A., Graham, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-18.  
Peery, James Walter, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 6-7-17.  
Preston, Robert, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 10-27-17.  
Pruett, William C., Graham, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-17.  
Preston, Haynes Graham, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 6-4-17.  
Peak, Howard Lacy, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.  
Puckett, Walter, Maxwell, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.  
Peery, Clarence Eugene, Burk's Garden, Va., age 25, white, 9-26-17.  
Price, Walter, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, white, 3-11-18.  
Porter, Henry, Adria, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.  
Pruett, Mustard, Shawvers Mill, Va., age 24, white, 8-5-18.  
Peery, William Albert, North Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-27-17.  
Peterson, Peter Wm., Cedar Bluff, Va., age 29, white, 12-14-17.  
Peery, Raymond Surface, Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 6-9-17.  
Patty, Kenneth C., Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 10-18-17.  
Poindexter, James, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 5-6-18.  
Patton, Leftridge C., N. Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.  
Pruett, Archie Lee, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 25, white, 6-5-18.  
Pobst, George Armistead, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 6-7-17.  
Peery, Lacy Preston, N. Tazewell, age 24, colored, 5-2-18.  
Pruett, Oscar Brown, Cedar Bluff, age 22, white 5-12-18.  
Peverall, Comwell A., Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 12-14-17.  
Pruett, Maxwell A., Shrader, Va., age 24, white, 7-25-18.  
Powers, Archis S., Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 7-20-18.  
Peery, Samuel C., Jr., Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 7-9-18.  
Peery, John R., Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 9-11-18.  
Pratt, Joseph Jethro, Pocahontas, Va., age 26, colored, 8-12-18.  
Peery, Garland, N. Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 11-25-17.  
Pruett, George E., Red Ash, Va., age 28, white, 5-27-18.



- Phillips, Henry, Pocahontas, Va., age 22, colored, 8-12-18.  
Peery, Thomas Allen, N. Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 7-16-18.  
Patrick, Walter Stuart, Tannersville, Va., age 23, white, 12-11-17.  
Pepper, Charles, Graham, Va., age 30, colored, 8-5-18.  
Peery, Clarence, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Pruett, Earl M., Sayersville, Va., age 22, white, 5-2-18.  
Peery, Charles C., N. Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 6-1-18.  
Peery, William Edward, N. Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 8-5-18.  
Pack, Robert A., Red Ash, Va., age 21, white, 7-20-18.  
Pruett, Archie Riley, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 23, white, 7-20-18.  
Peery, Bane Gustaff, Tazewell, Va., age 28, white, 12-14-17.  
Pickle, Frank Pierce, Graham, Va., age 26, white, 8-2-18.  
Patrick, Walter Sherman, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 6-27-18.  
Peery, Charles Fudge, N. Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 11-2-17.  
Peery, Andrew McDonald, N. Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 5-7-18.  
Poindexter, William D., Graham, Va., age 21, white, 7-15-18.  
Powell, Walter Lee, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18.  
Pruett, Lewis Parker, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-5-18.  
Porter, Joseph Everett, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-15-18.  
Proffit, William, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Peery, Joseph Elmo, N. Tazewell, Va., age 19, white, 10-4-18, S.  
A. T. C.  
Painter, Lawrence Russell, Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, 10-19-18,  
S. A. T. C.  
Painter, Russell Barns, Tazewell, Va., age 18, white, 10-4-18, S.  
A. T. C.  
Peery, James Sidney, N. Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, 10-31-18,  
S. A. T. C.  
Peery, Albert, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, volunteered 3-25-17,  
Culpeper, Va.  
Pack, Robert C., age 18, white, volunteered 3-25-17, Culpeper, Va.  
Prophet, James, age 18, white, volunteered 3-25-17, Culpeper, Va.  
  
Quillin, Byron Franklin, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 7-25-18.  
Quinley, Barney, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 7-16-18.  
Quesenberry, William L., Bandy, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.  
  
Russell, Reese William, Indian, Va., age 30, white, 9-4-17.  
Ratliff, Frank, Graham, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.  
Riley, William Everett, Shrader, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.

Rosenbaum, Guy A., Graham, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-18.  
Riley, James Arthur, Shraders, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Robinson, Jack, Pocahontas, age 21, colored, 10-27-17.  
Repass, John Gibson, Paint Lick, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Rippey, Walter, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 10-27-17.  
Rucker, Witten, Graham, Va., age 24, white, 6-23-17.  
Rees, Carlyle, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-17.  
Repass, Floyd, Burk's Garden, Va., age 26, white, 10-8-17.  
Rosseau, Charles B., Richlands, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.  
Robinson, Robert, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 10-21-18.  
Rich, James William, Tannersville, Va., age 23, white, 7-20-18.  
Reedy, Arthur, Raven, Va., age 27, white, 5-27-18.  
Rose, Creed, Adria, Va., age 29, white, 5-27-18.  
Reedy, Lenoard M., Raven, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Ruthledge, Henderson J., Pocahontas, Va., age 25, white, 3-22-18.  
Roten, John Thomas, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 6-5-18.  
Roark, James Madison, Boissevain, Va., age 22, white, 7-20-18.  
Reynolds, Ernest, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 5-6-18.  
Riley, Sam P., Shraders, Va., age 21, white, 6-5-18.  
Riley, Maxwell A., Shraders, Va., age 25, white, 7-20-18.  
Robinson, Sam, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 8-12-18.  
Roberson, Eddie, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, colored, 4-5-18.  
Roland, Will, Pocahontas, age 30, colored, 8-25-18.  
Repass, Lacy Johnson, Shawvers Mill, Va., age 23, white, 8-2-18.  
Rye, Jesse Marvin, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, white, 6-27-18.  
Rosenbaum, Herbert Henry, Graham, Va., age 23, white, no date.  
Rye, Walter Thompson, Boissevain, Va., age 24, white, 7-1-18.  
Robinson, William P., Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.  
Rose, Roy, Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.  
Robinson, George, Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.  
Rose, Grady Lee, Shelby, N. C., age 21, white, 7-17-18.  
Rowden, Dewey, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 10-21-18, S.  
A. T. C.

Sluss, James Alma, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 8-7-17.  
Smith, Governor Walker, Tip Top, Va., age 23, colored, 10-27-17.  
Sliff, Tom, Pocahontas, Va., age 23, colored, 9-25-18.  
Simmons, Milton, Raven, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.  
Stacy, Ben, Shraders, Va., age 22, white, 9-22-17.  
Saunders, George Allen, Graham, Va., age 22, colored, 10-27-17.



- Stevenson, Elisha Earl, Shraders, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17.  
Sinkford, Charles A., Tip Top, Va., age 23, colored, 10-27-17.  
Smith, Norman Clarence, Bluefield, W. Va., age 26, white, 10-22-17.  
Sluss, Everett, Tip Top, Va., age 29, white, 9-21-17.  
Sparks, Robert Cline, Alfredton, Va., age 25, white, 7-20-18.  
Streets, Raymond, N. Tazewell, Va., colored, 10-27-17.  
Salyers, Charles Arnold C., Paint Lick Va., age 23, white, 9-21-18.  
Smith, Charles, Tazewell, Va., age 27, colored, 5-6-18.  
Shawver, Thomas Lewis, Shawvers Mill, Va., age 26, white, 10-8-17.  
Stevenson, Hugh Thomas, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Shrader, Dudley Gratton, N. Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17.  
Scott, Louis Jackson, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, white, 9-21-17.  
Steele, Raymond B., Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 10-27-17.  
Scott, Roy, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, colored, 10-27-17.  
Settle, Luther Arch, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.  
Southern, Jonah F., Raven, Va., age 28, white, 10-8-17.  
Sayers, James Claude, Richlands, Va., age 29, white, 10-8-17.  
Sparks, Charles Whitt, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.  
Smith, William G., Pocahontas, Va., age 29, colored, 10-27-17.  
Sayers, Washington Lee, Gratton, Va., age 26, white, 10-8-17.  
Shreeve, Pearl Henry, Doran. Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17.  
Steeple, John, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 7-9-18.  
Stuart, Walter, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, white, 4-17-18.  
Shawver, John William, Burke's Garden, Va., age 24, white, 9-26-17.  
Shufflebarger, Curtis L., Cove Creek, Va., age 23, white, 9-7-18.  
Saunders, John Robert, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 10-8-17.  
Smith, Sam Riley, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 24, white, 4-3-18.  
Steele, John C., Paint Lick, Va., age 21, white, 8-5-18.  
Slaughter, Sherman Lee, West Graham, Va., age 24, white, 6-10-17.  
Shell, Sidney H., Graham, Va., age 23, white, 6-1-18.  
Sanders, Ballard, Graham, Va., age 27, colored, 9-30-18.  
Stone, Boykin, Pocahontas, Va., age 21, colored, 5-6-18.  
St. Clair, Alexander G., Tazewell, Va., age 30, white, 9-26-17.  
Staley, George Marion, Pocahontas, Va., age 27, colored, 8-5-18.  
Shepherd, Horton, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.  
Stevens, Floyd Henry, Tip Top, Va., age 27, white, 5-27-18.  
Smith, Gillespie R., Graham, Va., age 26, white, 11-24-17.  
Selney, William John, Richlands, Va., age 24, white, 5-25-18.  
Steele, Charles George, Tazewell, Va., age 29, colored, 8-5-18.  
Short, John, Raven, Va., age 25, white, 5-27-18.



Summers, Samuel, West Graham, Va., age 22, white, 3-25-17, volunteer.

Sluss, Jackson, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.

Sturgis, James Clinton, Falls Mills, age 24, white, 7-20-18.

Stuart, Roy, Graham, Va., age 22, colored, 8-12-18.

Smith, Charles Walter, Boissevain, Va., age 24, white, 5-25-18.

Steele, Edgar Marion, Paint Lick, Va., age 24, white, 5-27-18.

Shelton, Benjamine, Red Ash, Va., age 27, white, 5-25-18.

Sayers, Wash Lee, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.

Sarver, Robert I., Graham, Va., age 25, white, 5-6-18.

St. Clair, Frederick William, Tazewell, Va., age 25, white, 9-26-17.

Smith, James Allen, Coaldan, Va., age 23, white, 9-9-18.

Simpson, Robert Edgar, West Graham, Va., age 23, white, 6-27-18.

Short, Ballard N., Red Ash, Va., age 24, white, 6-27-18.

Steele, Rex E., Pounding Mill, Va., age 27, white, 5-23-18.

Shufflebarger, William Newton, Cove Creek, Va., age 27, white, 7-25-18.

Snodgrass, Lucian, Jewell Ridge, Va., age 23, white, 9-23-17.

Spurgeon, Robert Lee, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.

Smith, Lucien, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.

Shrader, Daniel Gratton, Tip Top, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.

Shamblin, Thomas Ford, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.

Scyphers, Clay, Alfredton, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.

Stinson, Charles Russell, Richlands, Va., age 21, 9-9-18.

Sinkford, Richard, Tip Top, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.

Smith, Walter Franklin, Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.

Sayers, Thomas Monroe, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 7-20-18.

Saunders, James, Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.

Scott, John Charles, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 20, 10-19-18, S. A. T. C.

St. Clair, S. Houston, Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, 10-8-18, S. A. T. C.

Scales, Arthur, Pocahontas, Va., age 18, colored, 10-22-18, S. A. T. C.

Spratt, Tom Ganaway, Richlands, Va., age 18, white, 10-14-18, S. A. T. C.

Stephenson, Charles J., volunteered, age 20, white, 6-30-17, Richmond.

Sluss, James A., age 21, white, 8-4-17, volunteered Richmond.

Vimms, George W., age 19, white, volunteered 3-25-17 Front Royal.

Switalski, Joe R., Red Ash, Va., age 27, white, 5-25-18.

- Thompson, Leck Andrew, Gratton, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.  
Thomas, Pose William, Boissevain, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Turner, Clarence Kenny, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Taylor, Robert Samuel, Tannersville, Va., age 22, white, 9-21-17.  
Triplett, Roy Martin, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.  
Thompson, Reese Bowen, Pounding Mill, Va., age 22, white, 7-20-18.  
Thompson, Marvin, Tazewell, Va., age 21, colored, 9-4-17.  
Taylor, Walter Lee, Tannersville, Va., age 26, white, 9-21-17.  
Thomas, Mercer Elliot, Pounding Mill, Va., age 29, white, 4-3-18  
to 6-9-19.  
Thompson, Robert, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, colored, 10-27-17.  
Thompson, John, Raven, Va., age 22, white, 3-1-18.  
Turpin, George, Graham, Va., age 26, colored, 5-6-18.  
Taylor, Brown, Graham, Va., age 26, white, 5-12-18.  
Tabor, John Henry, Falls Mills, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Thompson, William Lawrence, N. Tazewell, Va., age 22, colored,  
5-4-18.  
Turpin, Isaac, Graham, Va., age 24, colored, 5-6-18.  
Taylor, Emory Lee, N. Tazewell, Va., age 29, white, 5-27-18.  
Thompson, Fess, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 6-26-18.  
Tabor, John Davis, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 28, white, 10-4-18.  
Thompson, Foster J., N. Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 5-25-18.  
Turley, William Andrew, Asberry, Va., age 26, white, 5-25-18.  
Thompson, Benjamine H., Burke's Garden, Va., age 23, white,  
5-27-18.  
Tickle, William Erastus, Graham, Va., age 25, white, 7-20-18.  
Twigg, James Rolly, Pocahontas, Va., age 29, white, 5-27-18.  
Tiller, William James, Graham, Va., age 25, white, 6-27-18.  
Totten, Rawley, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, volunteered, 3-25-17.  
Tolliver, Alexander, Pocahontas, Va., age 30, colored, 5-21-18.  
Thompson, Roy Ashland, Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 6-27-18.  
Thompson, Oday C., N. Tazewell, Va., age 29, white, 8-2-18.  
Tabor, Adam Stephen, Falls Mills, Va., age 23, white, 6-27-18.  
Taylor, Arthur W., Graham, Va., age 21, white, 7-24-18.  
Tickle, Sidney Taylor, W. Graham, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Taylor, Greever, N. Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
  
Vandyke, Flem, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-17.  
Vernon, Jesse W., Cedar Bluff, Va., age 30, white, 9-4-17.  
Vance, Pearl, Red Ash, Va., age 23, white, 5-27-18.



- Vandyke, Doak, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Vance, Charlie Crockett, Richlands, Va., age 26, white, 10-9-18.  
Vandyke, John Alexander, Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 7-20-18.  
Vandyke, Thomas, age 22, white, volunteered 4-25-17, Culpeper, Va.  
  
Werth, Hobert Morrison, age 23, vol. May, 1917—A. E. F. Oct. 18, 1917, Rainbow Div. Battles: Champagne-Marne; Aisne-Marne; St. Mihiel; Meuse-Argonne; in Army of Occupation; discharged 5-6-19.  
  
Wilson, Martin, Red Ash, Va., age 25, white, 4-3-18.  
Williams, Lewis, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, colored, 5-25-18.  
Walker, George R., Graham, Va., age 25, white, 9-21-17.  
West, Dale, Richlands, Va., age 24, white, 9-4-17.  
Wilson, James Thomas, Indian, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Whitt, Leck Evans, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
Waldron, Thomas Marion, Adria, Va., age 21, white, 9-21-17.  
White, Harry, Pocahontas, Va., age 30, colored, 5-6-18.  
Waldron, Charles, Bandy, Va., age 21, white, 10-1-17.  
Whitley, James Robert, N. Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 10-8-17.  
Washington, Telfair, Pocahontas, Va., age 28, colored, 3-9-18.  
Watkins, William Walter, Indian, Va., age 23, white, 7-27-17.  
Witten, Kent W., Graham, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.  
Whitman, Edward, Graham, Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17.  
Wall, Roscoe Riner, Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 9-10-18.  
Wiles, Roby F., Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 5-12-18.  
White, Fugate Campbell, Tazewell, Va., age 29, white, 10-8-17.  
Wade, Beverley, Red Ash, Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17.  
Wilson, Lilburn Benjamine, Graham, Va., age 22, white, 10-8-17.  
Wimmer, Robert Johnson, Falls Mills, Va., age 25, white, 10-8-17.  
Witt, Will Samuel, Maxwell, Va., age 25, white, 4-3-18.  
Wimmer, Samuel Henry, West Graham, Va., age 22, white, 7-20-18.  
Warner, Spencer B., Boissevain, Va., age 21, white, 7-12-17.  
Wagner, Adam Green, Falls Mills, Va., age 23, white, 1-29-18.  
Whitehead, Samuel Luther, Tannersville, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
  
Widner, James, Sayersville, Va., age 29, white, 8-5-18.  
Welch, William, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 5-27-18.  
Webster, William, Tazewell, Va., age 23, colored, 5-6-18.  
Worley, Ben, Boissevain, Va., age 21, white, 6-26-18.



- Wilson, Emory, Raven, Va., age 26, white, 5-27-18.  
Wright, Kelly G., N. Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 5-27-18.  
Whitalski, Joe R., Red Ash, Va., age 27, white, 5-27-18.  
Ward, Walter J., Graham, Va., age 24, colored, 6-26-18.  
Wimmer, Arthur, Falls Mill, Va., age 23, white, 5-27-18.  
Witten, Andrew J., Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, volunteered,  
7-19-18.  
Watkins, Clarence Edwin, Indian, Va., age 28, white, 6-1-18.  
Warren, Thomas E., Tazewell, Va., age 23, colored, 5-4-18.  
Williams, Frank Estill, Graham, Va., age 26, white, 10-29-17.  
Walker, Felix, Pocahontas, Va., age 24, colored, 8-5-18.  
Wynn, Joseph Shannon, Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 6-1-18.  
Woods, Everett W., Graham, Va., age 22, white, 1-10-18.  
Williams, David Oscar, Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 5-27-18.  
Wilson, Henry, Boissevain, Va., age 28, colored, 8-5-18.  
Worsham, John Thomas, Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 9-5-17.  
Whitt, John Clarence, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 25, white, 6-24-18.  
West, Wilk Otis, Richlands, Va., age 21, white, 6-27-18.  
Walker, Robert A., Falls Mills, Va., age 27, white, 7-16-18.  
Witt, John Carl, Pounding Mill, Va., age 24, white, 6-27-18.  
Whitley, Stewart French, North Tazewell, Va., volunteered U. S.  
Navy 5-14-18, discharged 12-20-18.  
Whitt, Joseph E., Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 6-27-18.  
White, Beverly Walton, Tazewell, Va., age 28, white, 12-11-17.  
Whitt, Elias, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 8-20-18.  
Webb, Hobart William, Raven, Va., age 21, white, 8-20-18.  
Witten, Andrew J., Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 7-16-18.  
Walker, Charlie, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.  
Waldron, John Aaron, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 8-2-18.  
Williams, Lee, Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-9-18.  
Wiles, McKinley, Tannersville, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Woody, Arthur Monroe, W. Graham, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Webb, John Rufus, Boissevain, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.  
Wyatt, W. P., Tazewell, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Whitt, Archie Zack, Cedar Bluff, Va., age 21, white, 9-9-18.  
Willis, Snooks, Graham, Va., age 21, colored, 9-30-18.  
Woods, Jesse Andrew, Pounding Mill, Va., age 21, white 9-9-18.  
Wallace, Lacy Paul, Tip Top, Va., age 19, white, 10-7-18.  
Woody, James Lightburn, Pocahontas, Va., age 18, colored,  
11-14-18, S. A. T. C.

Williamson, Robert B., Graham, Va., age 20, white, 10-19-18,  
S. A. T. C.

Wagner, James Albert, Coeburn, Va., age 19, white, 11-2-18, S.  
A. T. C.

Wynn, Dewey Clyde, Tazewell, Va., age 20, white, 10-4-18, S. A.  
T. C.

Witten, Bernard Isom, Tip Top, Va., age 18, colored, 11-7-18, S.  
A. T. C.

Witten, Thomas Rawl, Witten Mills, Va., age 20, white, 10-7-18,  
S. A. T. C.

Ward, Herbert, Tazewell, Va., age 18, white, S. A. T. C.

Watkins, William W., age 23, white, volunteered 8-31-17, Roanoke,  
Va.

Warner, Spencer B., age 21, white, volunteered 5-1-18, Roanoke  
Va.

Wynn, Albert G., age 21, white, volunteered 4-25-17, Roanoke, Va.

Witten, Eugene B., age 21, white, volunteered 7-25-17, Staunton,  
Va.

Wilson, Tom, age 23, white, volunteered 3-25-17, Culpeper, Va.

Witten, Dr. Jack W., Tazewell, Va., enlisted as 1st Lieut. 6-11-17,  
Camps Greenleaf and Wheeler, Ga. Commissioned Capt.  
2-11-18, 124th Ambulance Co., 106th Sanitary Train, 31st  
Div. Sailed Sept. 1918—Commissioned Major April, 1919;  
discharged 4-19-19.

Yates, Charles W., Boissevain, Va., age 25, white, 6-19-17.

Yates, James Harvey, N. Tazewell, Va., age 23, white, 9-21-17.

Young, James Richard, Tazewell, Va., age 24, white, 10-8-17.

Yost, Edward Roy, Graham, Va., age 21, white, 5-1-18.

Yost, David William, Falls Mills, Va., age 22, white, 5-27-18.

Yost, Charles George, N. Tazewell, Va., age 27, white, 8-2-18.

Yost, Henry Peery, Gratton, Va., age 23, white, 7-20-18.

Yates, Levi Jesse, N. Tazewell, Va., age 37, white, 6-27-18.

Yost, Clarence Kelly, Graham, Va., age 30, white, 10-7-18.

Yost, Paul Richard, Tazewell, Va., age 22, white, 6-27-18.

Zimmerman, George L., Pounding Mill, Va., age 29, white, 7-30-17.

Zachosky, Ignatz, Pocahontas, Va., age 25, white, 6-25-18.

INCOMPLETE ROLL OF TAZEVELL BOYS, WHO ENLISTED OUTSIDE  
THE COUNTY.

## NAVY—White.

Charles R. Brown, Jr., William Jefferson Brown, William Arnold Burton, A. J. Collins, Samuel William Carter, Bishop Hicks Coon, Paul Crockett, James R. Doak, Jesse F. Earnest, Willie Guy French, Jesse Samuel Gillespie, Charles Greer, Paul Gydosh, William Neal Hurley, Eugene Claude Harman, Rufus Crockett Harrison, John Jasper Henkle, Daniel Henry Harrison, David Harman, James Vernon Johnson, Everett Johnson, Roscoe Kelly Jones, David Roscoe Kitts, Robert Ernest Kitts, Robert Lee Longworth, Samuel J. Lubliner, Thomas Lawrence Lowe, Charles Franklin Medley, Robert Henry Moore, Thomas Fairfax Martin, Cecil Martin, Clarence Myers, Walter McGhee, George Gordon McBride, George William McCall, Harvey Grat McMullin, Henry L. McCall, William Lewis McMullen, George O. McGuire, Bud Neal, Vance Clayton Neece, James Curtis Neel, James Walter Peery, Haynes Graham Preston, Raymond Surface Peery, George Armstead Pobst, Cornwell A. Peverall, Samuel C. Peery, Jr., Earl McMinn Pruett, Charles Fudge Peery, Grady Lee Ross, Sherman Lee Slaughter, Robert I. Sarver, Thomas Monroe Sayers, Rees Bowen Thompson, John Thompson, Arthur Taylor, Everett Woods, Beverly Walton White.

## MARINES—White.

William Byrd May Chapman, Henry Franklin Gilmer, Thomas Robert Harrison, Mathew Butler Hammit, Robert Smith Hopkins, Cecil Addison Mowles, John Earnest McMullin, James Beverly Neal, Eugene Peirce, William Donreath Poindexter, Joseph Everett Porter, Alderson Sexton, Kennerly Sexton, Gillespie R. Smith, Andrew J. Witten.

## S. A. T. C.—White.

William Gordon Bottimore, Benjamine Elbert Bates, Rufus Brittain, Samuel E. Baylor, William Pamplin Crabtree, Thomas Healy Campbell, Robert V. Crockett, Tyler McCall Frazier, Charles Dewey Garland, Robert Gratton Gillespie, James Hudson Hufford,



Walter Henry Hankins, Joseph N. Harker, Jr., Joseph N. Johnson, Hubert Elmer Kiser, James Ed. Litz, Thomas Wright Lawford, Harry Fleming Macom, Barnes Thompson Moore, Victor W. McCall, John Milton Newton, Jr., William Alexander Neel, Joseph Elmo Peery, Lawrence Russell Painter, Russell Barns Painter, James Sidney Peery, John Charles Scott, S. Houston St. Clair, Thomas Ganaway Spratt, Lacy Paul Wallace, Robert B. Williamson, James Albert Wagner, Dewey Clyde Wynn, Thomas Rawl Witten, Herbert Ward.

S. A. T. C.—Colored.

Walter W. Jackson, Horace Bowser Logan, Thomas H. Mitchell, Cecil E. McCollum, Dewey Rowden, Arthur Scales, James Lightburn Woody, Bernard Isom Witten.

TAZEWELL BOYS WHO WERE KILLED IN ACTION OR  
DIED FROM OTHER CAUSES IN FRANCE AND  
IN THE TRAINING CAMPS.

WHITE.

Pola Andrew Brooks, George Dewey Bowman, Martin Luther Bowling, Ervine Bane, Paul Crockett, S. M. B. Coulling, Jr., William Henry Cole, Aaron Carter, Fielden Kirk Earles, Joe Farris, Carnie J. Gillespie, John A. Graham, David Paul Harris, William Henry, William Harman, Carey John Hodge, J. E. Hurt, Reese Hall, Henry Ingle, Thomas A. Jackson, Robert Frazier McMeans, Thomas D. McCracken, Henry Clarence Neel, Robert Sidney Neel, Wiley S. Neal, Augustus Peery, William E. Peery, Jr., Joseph Everett Porter, Lawrence S. Peak, Roscoe Pack, Leonard M. Reedy, John Short, Wash Lee Sayers, Thomas Ford Shamblin, James Clinton Sturgess, William John Selney, Roy M. Triplett, Samuel Eli Turner, Benjamin H. Thompson, Doak Vandyke, Samuel Henry Wimmer, Emory Wilson, James Yates.

COLORED.

Elmer Bandy, James K. Haskins, Harman Harris, Roy Rose, Charles Arthur Sinkford.

# CHAPTER VIII

## EDUCATION.

*Bluefield College.*—Although this is the youngest Educational Institution in Tazewell County, because of its importance to the county, the coal fields of Virginia and West Virginia and the splendid sections of both states from which it enrolls students, we have placed it at the head of the list. At our request, J. M. Newton, the secretary of its Board of Trustees has sent us the following brief history of its beginning:

This is an institution fostered by the Baptist General Association of Virginia and located in Tazewell County, Virginia, near the corporate limits of the city of Bluefield, W. Va. Several years ago the General Association decided to establish a standard Junior College for boys in Southwest Virginia. After the merits of several towns had been considered, the committee decided on Bluefield as the most advantageous location for the college. The Chamber of Commerce of Bluefield donated about 60 acres of land on which to erect the college plant, a beautiful location. Several names were suggested for the new college, but the trustees decided to identify the college with the community in which it is located and gave it the name of Bluefield College. Only two names were suggested for the presidency of the college—Dr. R. A. Lansdell, of Hepzibah, Ga., and Morgan L. Combs, of Richmond, Va. Dr. Lansdell was elected. Dr. Lansdell, after visiting this section and viewing the needs and possibilities, agreed to accept the presidency provided the trustees would meet his suggestion that nothing less than a million dollar institution be planned. The General Association approved of the idea and it was decided to work toward that goal.

President Lansdell visited several colleges in an effort to obtain substantial information with reference to the buildings most essential. R. H. Hunt, of Chattanooga, was selected as Architect, associated with A. B. Mahood, of Bluefield. Plans were submitted by them and adopted and J. P. Pettyjohn & Son, of Lynchburg, became the successful bidders for the erection of the buildings. Work was begun on the Administration building, one Dormitory and Dining Hall, in the Fall of 1921. In September, 1922, the college doors were opened with a full faculty. One hundred students were enrolled the first year with an increasing number in subsequent years. When the financial campaign is finally completed, *i. e.*, the Million Dollar



objective, the college will have a total of 18 buildings and modern college equipment, making this a standard Junior College, second to none in the South.

## PUBLIC EDUCATION IN TAZEVELL COUNTY.

Professor Albert S. Greever, Division Superintendent of Public Schools of the county, has furnished the following data:

During the half century since the adoption of the Public School System in Tazewell county the following persons have held the office of Division Superintendent: Mr. Jonathan Lyons; Mr. J. C. Spotts; Rev. Jas. H. Gillespie; Mr. H. M. Smythe; Mr. P. H. Williams (16 years); Mr. W. A. Thompson (8 years); Mr. A. S. Greever, the present incumbent since 1917.

At first the length of term was five months and the salary of teachers was twenty dollars a month. At this writing, 1924, the average length of term is eight months and the average salary of all teachers about ninety-five dollars a month. At first there were probably not more than two or three dozen school-houses in the county and they were old-fashioned one-room log houses, with little windows, puncheon floors, big fireplaces, the walls chinked and daubed, the roof of boards made by hand. At this time the county boasts of some two hundred school-rooms, eighty per cent of which are standard rooms meeting the requirements of the State Board as to light and air and placing the county high up among the counties of the State in the matter of school buildings.

The school population of the county, according to the 1920 census, was: whites, 7,524; colored, 660; total, 8,184. Of these, 8,018 were reported enrolled last year, with average attendance of 90%. There are this year, 1924-1925, 208 white and 14 colored teachers. There are five accredited 4-year High Schools, named according to size: Graham High School, R. W. Bobbitt, principal; Richlands High School, C. R. Six, principal; Tazewell High School, G. H. Brown, principal; Pocahontas High School, H. L. Crowgey, principal; Burke's Garden Agricultural High School, G. L. Strong, principal. There are twelve white and three colored Graded Schools of from three to six teachers each. There are nineteen white two-room schools and forty-four one-room schools for whites and three for colored.

There will graduate from the high schools this year ninety



boys and girls, the largest number of graduates in the history of the county.

In the list of all the counties in the State prepared by the State Department of Education for 1923-1924, giving the rank of each county according to the Ayres scale of 10 points academic and 10 points financial, Tazewell county's place is 15th. In this showing, if rated according to academic points only, the rank would have been even nearer the highest.

Two interesting articles on the educational status of the county at earlier periods are to be found—one in Pendleton's History of Tazewell County, pages 667 to 669, inclusive, and one in Vol. I, Annals Tazewell County, pages 372 to 374, inclusive. The latter is an article from the pen of a highly esteemed citizen, Major Rufus Brittain, who wrote between the passage of the act of the Legislature which established the Public School System and the adoption of the same by the county of Tazewell.

AMOUNT EXPENDED BY THE COUNTY FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR  
1923-24, \$283,582.78.

*Tazewell High School.*—G. H. Brown, principal; teachers in High School Department: J. G. Carson, Marshall McCall, Louise Bondurant, Mollie Moore, Merle Davis, Elizabeth Hunter, Mary Sandy, school music. Teachers in the grades: Rebecca Darden, Jess Muncy, Cletus Hayter, Rochie Allison, Eliza Anderson, Mary French, Louise Morgan, Julia Davidson and Louise Jackson. Number of pupils, 514; number of teachers, 17.

*Graham High School.*—R. W. Bobbitt, principal; teachers in High School Department: N. P. Reed, Linda S. Berry, Verneta Baldwin, Harriet Godfrey, Margaret Harvey, Mavis B. Magee, Mary Martha Davenport, school music. Teachers in the grades: Louise Lefler, Sallie Mahood, Katherine Surface, Virginia Tyler, Lillian Umberger, Kathleen Cord, Ruth Jones, Laura Boteler, Dorothy Scott, Ethel Foster, Eloise Peery, Jaqueline Venable, Frances Barham, Mabel Kirkner, Grace Shumaker, Mrs. Virginia D. Shufflebarger. Number of pupils, 974; number of teachers, 24.

*Pocahontas High School.*—H. L. Crowgey, principal; teachers in High School Department: Anne Falin, Virginia Haller, Mary S. Baber. Teachers in grades: Virginia Peery, Louise Blackwell, Frieda Sharitz, Arah Easterday, Zula Hall, Jonella Foster, Lucile

Geddy, Elizabeth Orchard, Evelyn Percy, and Edna Meadors. Number of pupils, 490; number of teachers, 14.

*Richlands High School*.—C. R. Six, principal; teachers in High School Department: K. M. Hicks, Mary Johnson, Annie Mary Cassell, Sallie Helen Combs. Teachers in the grades: Elizabeth Powell, Pauline Fletcher, Doris Thomas, Nellie Miller, Margaret Preston, Lucy Buford, India Howell, Lelia Foster, Annie Perrow, Christine Miller, Lucie Scott and Nellie Moon. Number of pupils, 650; number of teachers, 17.

*Burke's Garden Agr. High School*.—G. L. Strong, principal; teachers in High School Department, W. L. McDonald, Velma Beidler, India Miller. Teachers in grades: Ida Greever, Mrs. W. L. McDonald, Eva Oliver, Lena Stowers. Number of pupils, 137; number of teachers, 8.

*Cedar Bluff Junior High School*.—P. E. Bowman, principal; teachers—Mrs. P. E. Bowman, Bonnie Barrett, Eva Gillespie, Mary Brown, Pearl McGuire. Number of pupils, 219; number of teachers, 6.

*Raven Graded School*.—Ethel Mason, principal; teachers—Hubie Saul, Pearl Etzler, Hattie Dalton, Eddie Preas. Number of pupils, 226; number of teachers, 5.

*Pounding Mill Graded School*.—Laura Ratcliffe, principal; teachers—Louise Taylor, Dorcie Howell, Eleanor Steele. Number of pupils, 118; number of teachers, 4.

*Jewell Ridge Graded School*.—Kate Stanfield, principal; teachers—Julia Ingles, Anna Slaughter, Ruth Davis. Number of pupils, 169; number of teachers, 4.

*Tannersville Graded School*.—J. A. Meyers, principal; teachers—Blanch Asberry, Elizabeth Holmes. Number of pupils, 73; number of teachers, 3.

*Baptist Valley Graded School*.—R. E. Pannell, principal; teachers—Elma Rutherford, Louise Thompson. Number of pupils, 94; number of teachers, 3.

*Red Ash Graded School*.—W. A. Parsons, principal; teachers—Irene Bales, Mamie Cullop, Annie Hambrick. Number of pupils, 155; number of teachers, 4.

*North Tazewell Graded School*.—Virginia Peery, principal; teachers—Alma Wilberger, Nettie Herndon. Number of pupils, 116; number of teachers, 3.

*Falls Mills Graded School*.—Mrs. Kate Spracher, principal;



teachers—Ethel Strong, Dorothy Taliaferro, Virginia Taliaferro. Number of pupils, 141; number of teachers, 4.

*Boissevain Graded School*.—Robert L. Dillon, principal; teachers—Claudine Lane, Dorothy Wainwright, Nancy Faulkner. Number of pupils, 217; number of teachers, 4.

*Witten's Mills Graded School*.—R. S. Sadler, principal; teachers—Jean Crockett, Mary E. Bibb. Number of pupils, 65; number of teachers, 3.

*Gratton Graded School*.—Mrs. Mary B. Cromer, principal; teachers—Esther Barton, Lutie Ambrister. Number of pupils, 88; number of teachers, 3.

*Mountain View School*.—Gertrude Graham, principal—Alice Lowman, primary. Number of pupils, 68.

*Healing Springs School*.—Mrs. Esther Meadors, principal—Clay Martin, primary. Number of pupils, 47.

*Cavotts Creek School*.—Evelyn Covey, principal—Melita Charlton, primary. Number of pupils, 53.

*Horsepen School*.—Eula Osborne, principal—Celesta Bell, primary. Number of pupils, 49.

*Pisgah School*.—Alice Boyd, principal—Ora L. Duffy, primary. Number of pupils, 56.

*Crockett's Cove School*.—Louise Settle, principal—Lera Barnard, primary. Number of pupils, 49.

*Sayersville School*.—Mattie Brooks, principal—(house uncompleted). Number of pupils, 32.

*Shawver Mill School*.—Effie M. Atkinson, principal—Lelia Sprinkle, primary. Number of pupils, 38.

*Springville School*.—Nannie Slusher, principal—Ernestine Nash, primary. Number of pupils, 63.

*Tip Top School*.—Bettie Covey, principal—Gladys Peery, primary. Number of pupils, 61.

*Sluss School*.—Willie S. Stone, principal—Leona V. Stone, primary. Number of pupils, 55.

*St. Clairs School*.—Jessie Brewer, principal—Edythe Baugh, primary. Number of pupils, 81.

*Big Vein School*.—Dora McCann, principal—Frances Rector, primary. Number of pupils, 95.

*Wexler Tabor School*.—Jno. C. Webster, principal—Emma Minton, primary. Number of pupils, 40.



*Yards School.*—Gladys Ratcliffe, principal—Alice Littlewood, primary. Number of pupils, 59.

*Cove School.*—Katherine Reynolds, principal—Virginia Witten, primary. Number of pupils, 65.

*Maxwell School.*—Alma Cornett, principal—Vella Hash, primary. Number of pupils, 67.

*Bandy School.*—Maud Steele, principal—Lucie Howard, primary. Number of pupils, 66.

*Faraday School.*—Mrs. A. O. Brinegar, principal—Mrs. Arthur Beavers, primary. Number of pupils, 99.

*Stoney Ridge School.*—Nellie Ramey, teacher. Pupils, 26.

*Linkous School.*—Willie M. Shepherd, teacher. Pupils, 36.

*Rivermont School.*—Crockett Harman, teacher. Pupils, 40.

*Dailey's School.*—Elizabeth Yost, teacher. Pupils, 39.

*Witten Valley School.*—Mrs. Mary R. Porter, teacher. Pupils, 36.

*Rhudy School.*—Bess Wimmer, teacher. Pupils, 40.

*Benbow School.*—Willie Meredith, teacher. Pupils, 35.

*Thompson School.*—Lucile Buchanan, teacher. Pupils, 27.

*Asberry's School.*—Mrs. J. B. Neal, teacher. Pupils, 20.

*Mitchell School.*—Mamie Scyphers, teacher. Pupils, 38.

*Wagner School.*—Mattie Mae Young, teacher. Pupils, 14.

*Harrison School.*—Margaret Howry, teacher. Pupils, 33.

*Coal Branch School.*—Minnie Clay, teacher. Pupils, 93.

*Bluestone School.*—Maude Williams, teacher. Pupils, 23.

*Cove Creek School.*—Kathleen Gregory, teacher. Pupils, 33.

*Bailey School.*—Josephine Peery, teacher. Pupils, 42.

*Coaldan School.*—Lois Ringstaff, teacher. Pupils, 29.

*Alfredton School.*—Donnie Cable, teacher. Pupils, 20.

*Smith School.*—Louise Gillespie, teacher. Pupils, 28.

*George Oak School.*—Uva Witt, teacher. Pupils, 36.

*Stinson School.*—Ella Baker, teacher. Pupils, 37.

*Matney School.*—Blanche Wimmer, teacher. Pupils, 38.

*Road Ridge School.*—Bessie Wimmer, teacher. Pupils, 56.

*Red Oak Ridge School.*—Emily Dorton, teacher. Pupils, 40.

*Hill Creek School.*—Annie Meadows, teacher. Pupils, 65.

*Doran School.*—Bertha Combs, teacher. Pupils, 65.

*Praeters School.*—Bessie Buskill, teacher. Pupils, 32.

*Grays Branch School.*—Myrtle Griffiths, teacher. Pupils, 31.

*Steelsburg School.*—Narcie Wingo, teacher. Pupils, 52.

- Paint Lick School*.—Vivian Elkins, teacher. Pupils, 29.  
*Liberty School*.—Billye Beavers, teacher. Pupils, 37.  
*Little River School*.—Maggie Slusher, teacher. Pupils, 27.  
*Thompson Valley School*.—Gertrude Russell, teacher. Pupils, 29.  
*Valley View School*.—Annice Hilt, teacher. Pupils, 28.  
*Cliffield School*.—Cly Davis, teacher. Pupils, 54.  
*Bust Head School*.—Mrs. R. E. Pannell, teacher. Pupils, 42.  
*Raven Nest School*.—Nola Warner, teacher. Pupils, 43.  
*Laurel School*.—Cora Russell, teacher. Pupils, 23.  
*Sinking Waters School*.—Lena Altizer, teacher. Pupils, 28.  
*Harman School*.—Nelva Snider, teacher. Pupils, 27.  
*Reedy School*.—Susie Ferguson, teacher. Pupils, 30.  
*Indian Creek School*.—Mary Wingo, teacher. Pupils, 31.  
*Glen Burke School*.—Ula Johnson, teacher. Pupils, 37.  
*Upper Pounding Mill School*.—Mae Messick, teacher. Pupils, 15.

#### COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

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Aaron Russ, Tazewell, Virginia, Jeffersonville District.

S. N. Huffard, Bluefield, Virginia, Clear Fork District.

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A. S. Greever, Division Superintendent.

J. Powell Royall, Attorney for the Commonwealth.

#### COMPARATIVE EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY.

In 1852 the entire white population of the county was 8,832, out of which number 3,317 were over 21 years of age and 1,490 of whom could neither read nor write. There were at that time but 15 school houses in the county and only 694 children attending school.

The school population of the county as shown by the census of 1920: whites, 7,524; colored, 660; total 8,184. Enrollment in 1924 was 8,018, with an average attendance of 90 per cent. In 1924-1925 there are 208 white and 14 colored teachers in the county.

## PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY.

Among several laudable efforts made in different communities to establish academic colleges and other schools of higher education, we recall Graham College, Burkes Garden Academy, and others in Bowen's Cove and elsewhere, the history of which should be written.

### TAZEWELL FEMALE SEMINARY.

This school was founded, organized and conducted by the late Mrs. Ella Shelburne Gillespie (Mrs. Reese B. Gillespie), and began its first session September, 1886. Under her superior management it surpassed all previous institutions of this section in promoting the highest educational standards, and inspired the young people in vision and effort toward greater achievement in life. She selected her faculty with such discrimination and care that its reputation became second to no college in Southwest Virginia. After years of splendid accomplishment the buildings were burned (April, 1893). The late Prof. Cephas Shelburne, brother of Mrs. Ella Gillespie, continued the school in a smaller building on Tazewell Avenue a year or two longer, at which time it was consolidated with Tazewell College.

### TAZEWELL COLLEGE FOR BOYS.

Tazewell College was founded in 1890 by Rev. Aaron A. Ferguson, and was conducted as a school for boys for three years. After the burning of the Tazewell Female Seminary it became a co-educational institution, with numbers of young women in attendance. The same excellent management, discipline, spirit and efficiency that characterized its sister school were continued under the direction and ownership of Prof. Ferguson until 19...., at which time it passed into the hands of R. L. Dingus, R. A. Ramey, Philip Johnson, D. A. Ramey and J. N. Harman. Later C. D. M. Showalter became one of the owners and President of the school. He was succeeded by J. H. Dodge, who remained head of the school until February, 1904, at which time the buildings were burned.

We close this chapter with brief mention of another educational institution which, while not within the limits of Tazewell County, is an important factor in the training of our mountain people, and one in which a number of Tazewell people are interested:



## MOUNTAIN INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

This school, located at Grundy, the county seat of Buchanan County, Virginia, in the heart of the mountain section of Southwest Virginia, Eastern Kentucky and Southern West Virginia, opened in 1921 with an enrollment of 165 students the first session, and with 100 applicants turned away for lack of room.

The official board of Grundy Christian Church, with S. R. Hurley as chairman, conceived of its establishment, and called in Dr. Josephus Hopwood to help carry out their plans. Dr. Hopwood served as first president of the school. He founded Milligan College, near Johnson City, Tenn., and Lynchburg College, at Lynchburg, Va., both of which institutions are today in successful operation. It was determined that industrial education should be made the leading feature of Mountain Industrial Institute. This school is unique in this section, being the only institution of its kind that trains in technical knowledge, which the growing industries are demanding. Students are required to work twelve hours per week for scholastic credit, and those unable to pay their way through school are given sufficient work to liquidate all expenses. Diplomas were delivered to the first graduating class, four bright young women and one young man, on June 20, 1924. The purpose of this Institute is to develop a thoroughly accredited high school, which will turn hundreds of students to our senior colleges and universities. Samuel R. Hurley, business man and Clerk of the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, is the prophet of his people. He has caught the vision and dedicated his life to its realization. If health and strength permit, he will lead in building this institution, which is destined to become the great school of its kind in all the Appalachian system.

Resources: (1) Real estate, 526 acres of land; (2) coal, oil, gas and other minerals on 200 acres of the 526 acres owned. United States Geological Survey states that Buchanan County, Va., is the richest county in coal deposits in the entire country; (3) a royalty of five cents per ton on the coal which will be mined from 476 acres of other land, royalty estimated at \$6,000,000.00; (4) Timber on the 526 acre tract estimated at more than 3,000,000 feet of lumber; (5) Brick clay and building stone; (6) 250 acres of tillable and grazing land, of which much is already under cultivation; (7) Orchards of 400 trees now bearing.

Present buildings: Dormitory 80 x 40 feet, three stories high, used for class rooms, chapel and dormitory purposes; another building 48 x 28 feet, used for dining room, kitchen and dormitory purposes; and a heating plant, valued at about \$80,000.00.

Proposed buildings: Girls' dormitory to accommodate 400 girls, with dining room seating 800 pupils; administration building; science hall; auditorium; gymnasium; president's home and shops.

#### BUCKEYE SCHOOL AND CLINCH VALLEY SEMINARY.

Directly after the War Between the States, Major Rufus Brittain opened a school on his farm near the town of Jeffersonville, now Tazewell. This school was known as the Buckeye School, taking its name from the schoolhouse which was built of buckeye logs. It was attended both by boys and girls—some of the boys had been Confederate soldiers.

Major Brittain was a gentleman of fine academic attainments and a fine teacher, but he was also a skilled surveyor and active business man and was only teaching as a matter of duty because of the difficulty of getting teachers. Upon his invitation and with the understanding that she was to open a school at the close of Major Brittain's school, Mrs. Mary Selina Coulling assisted Major Brittain in the latter part of the term taught by him in 1867. In the fall of 1867 Mrs. Coulling started teaching in the Northwestern Bank building, on the site of the present High School building, the Clinch Valley Seminary. This school was continued until the latter part of 1870; location, however, was changed to the Northwestern Bank building and then to the Temperance Hall, on the site of the building now occupied by Mrs. Hawkins. This school was primarily intended as a finishing school for young ladies, but it was also attended by girls and a number of small boys. This school was liberally patronized and a number of the highest type of cultured Christian ladies who attended it are now living. Mrs. Coulling was assisted in this school by Miss Mary Wyait, Miss Louisa Todd Coulling, Miss E. D. Stubbs, and Miss Martha Nickolls Baxter. Miss Wyait and Miss Stubbs taught music and French. Miss Wyait married James C. Spotts, and died some years ago, one of the most beloved and popular ladies of the town. Miss Stubbs taught for many years in Tazewell; Miss Martha Nickolls Baxter married A. A. Spotts and for years taught private schools in Taze-

well County; also taught in Tazewell High School and in Graham College, Graham, Va., founded by Professor Greever. After the close of the Clinch Valley Seminary, Miss Louisa Todd Coulling was elected one of the teachers in the Tazewell graded or public high school, which was started in October, 1872. Professor A. D. Walthall was principal; Mrs. O. E. Witten, Mrs. J. L. P. Spotts and Miss Louisa T. Coulling were assistant teachers. This school was conducted under the following board of managers: W. W. Peery, A. J. May, Isaac E. Chapman, George W. Gillespie, Zachariah S. Witten, A. J. Tynes, and Jonathan Lyons.



# CHAPTER IX

## THE CHURCHES OF TAZEWELL COUNTY.

We thank those who have responded to our request for information concerning the churches of Tazewell County. This record is not complete on account of the inability of the author to secure information from the representatives of a few of the churches. The writer regards this the most important chapter in the book, because the religious history of any nation or community has to do with the foundation upon which all else of permanent value rests.

No better introduction to this chapter can be made than the following extracts quoted from President Coolidge's address delivered at Washington, D. C., October 15, 1924, at the unveiling of the equestrian statue of Francis Asbury, the first bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States. The President said:

"Our Government rests upon religion. It is from that source that we derive our reverence for truth and justice, for equality and liberty, and for the rights of mankind. Unless the people believe in these principles, they cannot believe in our Government. There are only two main theories of government in the world. One rests on righteousness, the other rests on force. One appeals to reason, the other appeals to the sword. One is exemplified in a republic, the other is represented by a despotism. \* \* \* The religious movement which Francis Asbury represented was distinctly a movement to reach the great body of the people. Just as our Declaration of Independence asserts that all men are created free, so it seems to me the founders of this movement were inspired by the thought that all men were worthy to hear the Word, worthy to be sought out and brought to salvation. As our ideal has been to bring all men to freedom, so their ideal was to bring all men to salvation. It was pre-eminently a movement in behalf of all the people. \* \* \*

"Just as the time was approaching when our country was about to begin the work of establishing a government which was to represent the rule of the people, where not the few but the many were to control public affairs, where the vote of the humblest was to count for as much as the vote of the most exalted, Francis Asbury came to America to preach religion. He had no idea that he was prepar-

ing men the better to take part in a great liberal movement, the better to take advantage of free institutions, and the better to perform the functions of self-government. He did not come for political motives. Undoubtedly they were farthest from his mind. Others could look after public affairs. He was a loyal and peaceful subject of the Realm. He came to bring the Gospel to the people, to bear witness to the truth and to follow it wheresoever it might lead. Wherever men dwelt, whatever their condition, no matter how remote, no matter how destitute they might be, to him they were souls to be saved.

“For this work, the bearing of the testimony of the truth to those who were about to be, and to those who in his later years were, sovereign American citizens, he had a peculiar training and aptitude. He was the son of a father who earned his livelihood by manual labor, of a mother who bore a reputation for piety. By constant effort they provided the ordinary comforts of life and an opportunity for intellectual and religious instruction. It was then that he came out of a home of the people. As early as the age of seventeen he began his preaching. In 1771, when he was twenty-six years old, responding to a call for volunteers, he was sent by Wesley to America. Landing in Philadelphia, he began that ministry which in the next forty-five years was to take him virtually all through the Colonies and their western confines and into Canada, from Maine on the north, almost to the Gulf of Mexico on the south.

“His problem during the Revolutionary War was that of continuing to perform his duties without undertaking to interfere in civil or military affairs. He had taken for the text of his first sermon in America these very significant words: ‘For I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and Him Crucified.’ When several of his associates left for England in 1775, he decided to stay. ‘I can by no means agree to leave such a field for gathering souls to Christ as we have in America,’ he writes; ‘therefore I am determined by the grace of God not to leave them, let the consequence be what it may.’

“His outposts marched with the pioneers, his missionaries visited the hovels of the poor, that all men might be brought to a knowledge of the Truth. \* \* \* \* \*

“The Government of a country never gets ahead of the religion of a country. There is no way by which we can substitute the authority of law for the virtue of man. Of course, we can help to



restrain the vicious and furnish a fair degree of security and protection by legislation and police control, but the real reforms which society in these days is seeking will come as a result of our religious convictions, or they will not come at all. Peace, justice, humanity, charity—these cannot be legislated into being. They are the result of a Divine Grace. \* \* \*

“On the foundation of a religious civilization which he sought to build, our country has enjoyed greater blessings of liberty and prosperity than were ever before the lot of man. These cannot continue if we neglect the work which he did. We cannot depend on the government to do the work of religion. We cannot escape a personal responsibility for our own conduct. We cannot regard those as wise or safe counsellors in public affairs who deny these principles and seek to support the theory that society can succeed when the individual fails. \* \* \*

“Something has continued to guide the people. No tumult has been loud enough to prevent their hearing the still small voice. No storm has been violent enough to divert inspired men from constantly carrying the Word of Truth. The contests of the day have but been preparations for victories on the morrow. Through it all our country has acquired an underlying power of judgment and stability of action which has never failed it. It furnishes its own answer to those who would defame it. It cannot afford to be oblivious to those who would detract from it. America continues its own way, unchallenged and unafraid. Above all attacks and all vicissitudes it has arisen calm and triumphant; not perfect but marching on, guided in its great decisions by the same spirit which guided Francis Asbury.”

#### METHODIST CHURCH.

“The first sermon preached in Tazewell County was in 1794 by Reverend Mr. Cobbler, appointed to the New River Circuit by the Baltimore Conference. This sermon may be regarded as the budding of Methodism in the county. The seed sown by this good man fell upon a genial soil, and he had the satisfaction of seeing Jeremiah Witten and Mrs. Sarah Witten, William Witten and his lady, John and Sarah Peery, Elizabeth Greenup, Samuel Forguson, Isabella Forguson and two colored persons flock around the Christian standard, determined that Christ should not be forgotten even in



the mountain gorges of the wild 'backwoods'. Thomas Peery gave them a piece of land, and in 1797 they built a meeting-house about one mile west of Jeffersonville." Volume I, *Annals of Tazewell County*, page 380.

It is shown elsewhere in this volume that Bishop Asbury visited Tazewell County and was entertained in the home of Henry Harman, Sr. and of his son, Elias, at Hollybrook, which was then in Tazewell but is now in Bland County.

Reverend C. R. Brown, of Tazewell, has furnished us with the following statement of the Methodist churches in Tazewell County:

Dr. George W. Bickley, who wrote the first *History of Tazewell County, Virginia*, which was written previous to the year 1852, makes the positive statement that the first sermon preached in the county was delivered by Rev. John Cobler in the year of 1794. Evidently many people were living in the county at the time this history was written who knew and had heard Rev. John Cobler preach, and it would seem that there is no doubt as to the correctness of the above statement. John Cobler was Presiding Elder of the District, which embraced Tazewell County, for four years, beginning 1793. The first Methodist Church built in the County, and it would seem from history to have been the first Church of any denomination to have been built in the county, was erected on a piece of land given the Church by Thomas Peery. This church stood on the north side of Fincastle Road, one mile east of the Court House. This church has long since passed away but some of the foundation stones can still be seen.

In the year 1803, Rev. Jacob Young, D. D., was appointed to a circuit which embraced Scott, Lee, Russell and Tazewell Counties. Dr. Young informs us that on his way from Elk Garden, Russell County, to Tazewell Court House (*Prices History*, Vol. 11, page 27) he preached several times to the Garrisons, Higginbothams and Youngs. This was evidently near what is now known as Liberty Hill. Here he met a Mr. Witten, who entertained him in his home. Dr. Young passed over the divides and went down the Bluestone Valley, forming several societies. It is most natural to suppose that one of these classes or churches was what is now known as Ebenezer, from which class there has gone into the Holston Conference two honored ministers, the Rev. Wm. N. Wagoner and G. W. Summers. Methodism has, for many years, been strong in this beautiful valley, due, most likely, to the good seed sown by

this man of God. In this valley, about twelve miles from Tazewell Court House, was established one of the largest, if not the largest, camp grounds in the bounds of Holston Conference, in about the year of 1874. Here many of the leading families of Methodism pitched their tents each fall, and for nearly one week this was the greatest event for the year. Here many of the great preachers of the church came. The memory of their great sermons remain with the children of the campers to this day. From the sounding of the rising bugle call before the dawn to the wee hours of the coming of another morning, there was practically nothing going on but religious instruction and worship. To this camp meeting came annually perhaps the best known preacher in Southwest Virginia, Robert Sheffey. He was looked to as a leader in song, and certainly in prayer. To the memory of the writer, who was then a boy, he was regarded as the one man whose prayers the Great God of Heaven always answered. Tradition has it that a desperately wicked man of Tazewell was told that Brother Sheffey was praying for him. His reply was, "I don't want him a-prayin' fer me, but please ax him not to pray agin me".

Brother Sheffey was a great enemy of still houses. This story comes to me from older people, and I believe it true: A liquor maker had become very much enraged because Sheffey was praying against his business and declared he would whip the preacher on first sight. It chanced that when they met the Methodist Presiding Elder was in company with Sheffey. On meeting, the ruffian began to curse vehemently and ordered the object of his wrath to dismount from his horse, telling him that he intended to whip him. Bro. Sheffey very calmly requested that he be allowed to pray to the Lord about it. Whereupon the Presiding Elder broke in with this statement: "All right, Brother, you pray, but while you pray I will proceed to give this ruffian the decent thrashing that he needs". At this announcement the bluffing bully put spurs to his horse and was soon out of the way.

The first notice of Tazewell appearing in Methodist History as a separate circuit is in the year 1815, when the Conference appointed the Rev. George Ekin as preacher in charge. George Ekin was grandfather to Rev. J. E. Naff, who was once pastor of Tazewell station. From this date up to 1825 Tazewell County Methodists were served by the following in the order in which their names appear: Isaac Quinn, James Porter, David Adams, Abraham



Still, John Bradfield, Ansel Richardson, William Patton, Abraham Still and E. T. Peery.

There was a Methodist Camp Ground seven miles west of Tazewell Court House, established in about the year of 1840, known as the "George Camp Ground". There seems to be no mention of this in any of the Methodist Records, but many men and women, now living in the County, learned from their parents of this fact. The parents of the writer of this sketch were converted and joined the Methodist Church there, and he learned from them of the wonderful annual meetings held on this consecrated ground.

In the year 1854 there were seven Methodist Churches in the County. One of them was at the Court House, the others I have been unable to positively identify. From that year up to the present, the progress of the Methodist Church has been a steady advance.

The last Annual of Holston Conference gives the following facts: In Tazewell county at this time there are ten stations and circuits, forty-one classes, forty Church buildings—value, \$243,200.00. Eleven parsonages; value, \$67,000.00. Membership, 4,500. Number enrolled in Sunday Schools, 4,456.

The following list of Methodist Preachers were licensed in Tazewell county, and later entered active work, most of them in Holston Conference: John D. Vencil, J. S. W. Neel, J. Patton Lockhart, Wm. H. Kelly, W. N. Wagoner, G. W. Summers, R. T. McDowell, C. R. Brown, W. E. Bailey, C. E. Painter, J. R. Brown, J. B. Ward, Jos. H. Groseclose, Wm. M. Gillespie, C. K. Wingo, Marcus Williams, George Fox, K. C. Patty, T. I. Prater, L. D. Yost, W. W. Hicks, Z. D. Holbrook, Wm. Holbrook, Geo. Reynolds, Ezra Reynolds, Jno. R. Walker, R. M. Walker, W. H. Walker, Harvey Dillion, Geo. W. K. Brown and W. B. Belchee.

The great John D. Vencil went to Missouri when a young man and was considered by many to have become the greatest preacher of the State, and the most influential citizen in the City of St. Louis.

The saintly J. S. W. Neel, born on Clear Fork, 1839, was the first man from Tazewell county to enlist in the Confederate Army. He enlisted April 17, 1861, at Wytheville, Virginia, was licensed to preach 1864, and from that time to the year 1923 all the force of his body and soul seem to have been given to the one high and holy purpose—that is, the establishment of God's Kingdom on Earth.



The following is a list of local preachers of the county: Elgin Neel, Granville Myres, George Buston, Jos. Stras, D. A. Daugherty, W. W. Yost, J. H. Bowling, T. A. Repass, W. K. Neel, John Russell and J. W. Laird.

In closing this sketch, it should be recorded that harmony has practically, at all times, prevailed among the Christian denominations of the county.

The growth of the Methodist Church in the county has been rather remarkable, but why should it not have been so? Any movement made or inaugurated intelligently in God's name by men of such character and unselfish consecration, surely must succeed.

I give one instance, which, in a large measure, represents the spirit of all those early pioneers of God: At the Conference of 1801, John Adam Grenade applied for admission. He was sent out of the room when the vote was to be taken, and while out, Bishop Asbury told the brethren he wanted a collection for Brother Grenade. After the vote and collection, Grenade was called back to the conference room. The Bishop announced to him that they were taking up a collection for a destitute friend and asked if he wished to contribute. Taking out his purse, Grenade said: "Bishop, here I have two dollars, take as much of it as you want". Asbury, taking the purse and collection, handed it to the astonished and overjoyed Grenade, and embracing him declared the collection was for him.

This is the spirit which has blessed the world in the past, and this spirit, if possessed of men, will establish the Kingdom of our God on Earth.

#### OFFICIAL MEMBERS METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, 1925.

W. S. HENDRICK, *Presiding Elder*.

*Boissevain Charge* (Boissevain and Sheffey's Chapel).—Pastor, S. L. Jones; Sunday school superintendent, W. S. Asbury; recording steward, W. B. Martin; district steward, J. R. Hendricks; lay leader, C. A. Martin; stewards—W. C. Harry, F. W. Barbour, J. E. Wainwright, S. B. Wilson, E. M. Eagle, S. E. Mustard, E. L. Sowers and Mrs. Abe Hamilton.

*Cedar Bluff Charge* (Cedar Bluff, Midway, Steelsburg, Green's Chapel, Bandy, Pounding Mill, Maxwell, Clifffield and Mount Carmel).—Pastor, A. E. Weikle; district steward, R. G. McCall; re-

cording steward, C. H. Peery; lay leader, Garnett Lester; stewards—Harry Mutter, Charles Steele, William Witt, W. J. Lester, Mrs. C. B. Ascue, Mrs. W. B. Martin, C. H. Trayer, W. B. Greear, and Miss Maude Turner.

*Pocahontas Church*.—Pastor, F. B. Shelton; Sunday school superintendents—J. K. Sult, L. E. Ward, and D. Gilles; lay leader, J. R. Young; recording steward, J. K. Peters; stewards—W. E. Jenkins, W. E. Catron, H. L. Yowell, Hurbert Butt, D. E. Rouse, W. B. Lowe, A. T. Draper, F. E. Wagoner, and H. N. Felty.

*Graham Circuit*.—Pastor, O. H. Logan; district steward, J. H. Summers; recording steward, C. H. Harman; lay leader, W. E. Stevens; Sunday school superintendents—T. M. Green, C. H. French, McTeer Sanders, E. T. Scott, I. H. Harry, A. S. Wagoner, G. W. Liddle, and D. W. Sarver; stewards—J. A. Witten, J. H. Wilson, Mrs. J. C. Cooper, T. E. Ireson, Frank Pyott, C. A. Wagoner, W. M. Nash, J. H. Moore, G. R. Carr, E. E. Hale, F. T. St. Clair, H. J. Harvey, J. M. Hale, H. A. Green, T. E. Anderson, J. G. Bailey, G. M. Wagoner, Miss Stella Tabor, C. M. Wagoner, W. E. Jones, J. H. Tabor, and Moore Compton.

*Richlands Church*.—Pastor, Clyde Douthatt; Sunday school superintendents—G. E. Horton, E. W. Wilson and Miles Wingo; lay leader, J. B. Altizer; district steward, G. R. McCall; recording steward, C. B. Orr; district lay leader, F. F. Hurt; treasurer, W. B. F. White; stewards, J. T. Jesse and Pete Tizen; chairman board, J. B. Crabtree; stewards—T. A. Draper, R. G. Flannery, R. L. Crawford, C. C. Hyatt, N. O. Gillespie, E. W. Wilson, and Mrs. Rosa Harman.

*Richlands Circuit*.—Pastor, O. C. Caylor; stewards—M. F. Lockhart, George Cole and F. W. Harrison; Sunday school superintendent, C. Vance; stewards—B. J. Lockhart, John Lockhart, Charles McGlothlin, Lowe McGlothlin, Mrs. Stratton Evans, and Dewy Cole.

*Rocky Gap Circuit* (in part).—Pastor, H. L. Hanshew; stewards, Jefferson Higginbotham and T. L. Shufflebarger (Calvary Church); steward, H. M. Kinzer; Sunday school superintendent, Harris Kinzer (Kinzer's Chapel).

*Main Street, Tazewell Church*.—Pastor, W. P. Eastwood; supernumerary Sunday school superintendent, C. R. Brown; lay leader, George C. Peery; district steward, R. P. Copenhaver; recording steward, C. W. Steele; stewards—J. Powell Royall, A. Z. Litz,



R. C. Peery, Raymond Peery, J. T. Heldreth, C. W. Jones, John O'Keefe, C. T. Peery, and C. R. Brown, Jr.

*Tazewell Circuit*.—Pastor, W. D. Larrowe; district steward, H. B. Copenhaver; recording steward, Reese Mathews; lay leader, R. P. Buchanan; Sunday school superintendents, F. E. Bourne and H. B. Copenhaver; stewards—B. R. Moss, W. L. Davis, H. R. Stowers, W. C. Cox, C. G. Jones, L. C. Buchanan, R. P. Barrett, A. J. Scott, H. H. Humphrey, W. H. Buchanan, William Thompson, Mrs. Ella Peery, Miss Jessie Whitman, and Henry Witten.

*North Tazewell Church*.—Pastor, W. A. McKee; Sunday school superintendent, R. H. Ireson; lay leader, F. H. Forbes; district steward, Garland Peery; recording steward, Wade H. Peery; stewards—J. D. Peery, C. P. Beavers, W. L. Baker, Walter Hash, J. W. Jones, and Frank Ireson; local preacher, W. W. Yost; Sunday school superintendent, Eugene Crockett; stewards—Robert Shrader, Robert Gillespie and Eugene Crockett.

*West Graham Church*.—Pastor, E. H. Cole; district steward, W. H. Fleishman; Sunday school superintendent, W. H. Fleishman; lay leader, G. E. Mahood; recording steward, W. E. Tibbs; stewards—J. G. Richardson, Mrs. J. S. Warden, Mrs. E. A. Deaton, Mrs. John Beard, C. W. Gill, C. L. Deaton, A. P. Buchanan, J. C. Beard and Herbert Lambert; superannuate, Rev. W. H. Troy.

*Graham Church* (Bluefield, Va.).—Pastor, Roy E. Earley; board of stewards—J. E. Baylor, L. J. Barbee, G. M. Bailey, George P. Crockett, R. K. Crockett, G. M. Goodwin, E. H. Harman, Frank McCrary, W. L. Nash, R. H. C. Palmer, C. L. Shufflbarger, T. C. Tibbs, J. E. Wagner, and Mrs. C. H. Witten.

#### COLORED METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

*Bluefield, Va. Church*.—Pastor, W. L. Sanders; number of members, 203.

*Pocahontas Church*.—Pastor, A. D. Williams; number of members, 196.

*Tazewell Church* (organized 1867).—Pastor, W. A. Ward; number of members, 80.

*Tip Top Church*.—Pastor, Aaron Lash; number of members, 80.

T. B. Warren furnished this information as to colored Methodist Episcopal Churches.



## BAPTIST CHURCHES.

Vol. 1, Annals of Tazewell County, page 380, says:

"The first Baptists in the county were the Scaggs and Hankins. The first sermon preached to them was by Rev. Simon Cotterel, from Russell County, in 1796. Their first meetings were held in private houses, in the Hankins' settlement. The Baptists seem not to have made as rapid progress as the Methodists, as they have now only two regular churches in the county. I have been unable to learn the number of communicants, but understand that it is greater than would be supposed from the number of churches."

It is assumed that about the year 1796, the first Baptist Church was organized in the county. For fourteen years thereafter no records of any organization have been found. In 1897, the late Jonas J. Sparks, who had long been clerk of that church, wrote us the following letter:

"According to promise, I send you a few brief statements in reference to Baptist Valley Church. This church was organized about the year 1810, by Elders Thomas Colley and William Lazewell. Its membership consisted of many of the first settlers of the Valley—the Hankins, the Scaggs and others. The old church book prior to 1843 has been lost, so that the names of the members cannot be given.

"The first church house was built of hewn logs and seated with pole benches. This was the first Baptist church house ever built in Tazewell County, from which this Beautiful Valley derived its name. The house, with those who worshipped in it, have long since passed away. Another house was built which has also passed away, and yet another and a better one has been erected.

"The organization of this church has remained to the present time. She is the mother church of most all of the Baptist churches in this and some of the adjoining counties. From the time of its organization to 1843, the church was under the care of a succession of preachers, as follows: Thomas Colley, William Lazewell, Jonathan Quicsall and William Henkle. Since 1843 to the present year, 1897, this church has been under the pastoral care of these able preachers, as follows: First, Elder John Wallis—from 1843 to 1856; second, Elder Wm. P. Linkous—from 1856 to 1882; third, Elder Jonas R. Sparks—from 1882 to 1897, date of this letter. Said Elder J. R. Sparks was ordained July, 1880, and chosen pastor of the church in 1882.

"You are aware of the fact that this church has for a number of years past had also the services of a number of able ministers, such as J. N. Harman, J. E. Linkous and others. I hope you will, in your prepared write-up, mention the other ministers.

Yours truly,

J. J. SPARKS."

NOTE—Among the unnamed preachers who preached for this church the author recalls the names of the following: Jonathan Hankins, Thomas Grimsley, Robert Stinson and his son, J. Thomas Stinson, A. A. Ashworth and his son, Robert M. Ashworth.

This church, with others, organized the Washington Association in 1811, which association includes the churches in Washington, Smythe, Russell, Tazewell and Buchanan Counties. This association still holds its annual sessions. The last one was held with Johnson's Bottom Church, in Buchanan County, September 12th to 14th, 1924. The ministers of this session show twenty churches, with the names and addresses of church clerks, and the following preachers: W. T. Osborne, Bandy, Va.; W. B. Sutherland, Tiny, Va.; J. T. Stinson, Stinson, Va.; G. W. Raines, Prater, Va.; J. B. Johnson, Raven, Va.; W. McCoy, Maxie, Va.; John Griffith, Honaker, Va.; W. D. Griffith, Honaker, Va.; E. S. Stephens, R. No. 1, Cleveland, Va.; A. R. Singleton, Artrip, Va.; G. W. Blair, Big Rock, Va., and D. Smith, Raven, Va.

Present membership of the churches composing this Association is 685; number baptized during past year, 25.

This body of Christian people seem to be having some doctrinal differences, which are set forth in a resolution passed by the Association, as follows: "Resolved, That whereas it is commonly reported that ministers of the Three Forks and Stony Creek Associations are preaching Universalism and sowing discord among our brethren, and as we have twice before admonished and protested against this heresy, we therefore ask you to take some steps to have them cease preaching these heresies, for it is sorely distressing and grieving to us." The Democracy or Congregational form of church government of these people is shown by Section 4 of the Constitution of the Washington Association:

"4. The members thus chosen (as messengers of the churches) and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall



they infringe upon any of the internal rights of any church in the union."

Over twenty years ago divisions arose in Baptist Valley Church over the doctrine of unconditional Election and Predestination, which were interpreted by the older members to mean "Fatalism". On account of these divisions, the membership was scattered. Some of the members united with the Salem Baptist Church, some joined the Missionary Baptists, and others took membership with the Disciples. This passing of the old mother church removed the most ancient religious landmark in that part of Tazewell County.

#### SALEM CHURCH.

This church was organized in 1863 by members largely from the Baptist Valley Church. It is located on Dry Fork, about three miles north of Baptist Valley Church. It was organized by Elders John Adkins, John Wallis and Wm. P. Linkous. It has been served by the following pastors: John Wallis, William P. Linkous, J. E. Linkous (son of Wm. P.), J. T. Stinson, J. B. Spence, T. W. Osborne, and the present pastor is Elder E. S. Stephens. The present deacons are as follows: John E. Hankins, Barnabas O'Quinn and R. J. Hankins, who are also the trustees. R. J. Hankins is church clerk. Present membership, 65. Another statement from this church reports the present membership about 80; that E. M. Evans is the present pastor; church clerk, Moses Baldwin; J. A. W. Hankins, elder; deacons—Joseph Baldwin, William T. Sparks, and John H. Sparks; trustees—William T. Sparks, Arch Sparks and C. M. Baldwin; and treasurer, Arch Sparks.

Other congregations of Primitive Baptists were organized in the county but have disappeared. Location of three of these: Burke's Garden, Concord and Pounding Mill. The passing of these congregations and the waning activities of those which remain are to be greatly regretted. Some of the cardinal and Christian virtues emphasized by these old-fashioned Baptist pioneers have been obscured on account of modern changes in church life and Christian living. These primitive people stood for honesty, humility, equality, brotherhood and democracy in church government to a degree greater than the modern congregations that have replaced them. We remember the time when members were excluded from the church for failing to pay their debts, for permitting members of



their families to become county charges, for dancing and other questionable amusements. They valued church fellowship above all things. They regarded a fixed salary to the preacher as a lack of faith in God's promises. They believe that if a preacher can be hired to preach, he can be hired to quit. They believe in Missions but reject modern methods and machinery. They hold that the church is the only divine organization on earth, and therefore repudiate all other religious societies. They hold that no one can preach the gospel unless he is divinely called; and if so called, he can preach whether he has been educated in the colleges or not.

These old Baptists believe and preach the Five Points of Calvinism. When a preacher hesitates to emphasize this doctrine he is usually advised that his heresy cannot be tolerated and that his services are no longer needed.

The foregoing statements of the faith and practice of a seemingly disappearing brotherhood are here recorded as history and are not commended nor condemned by the writer.

### MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCHES.

Between the years about 1832 to 1845, the Baptists of Virginia divided over Organized Missions, taking the respective names of Missionary and Anti-Missionary Baptists. Among the first organizations made by the Missionary Baptists were the churches at Pounding Mill and Burke's Garden. The one at Pounding Mill long ago ceased to exist. Their present churches are located at Tazewell, Pocahontas and Graham.

#### TAZEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Was organized in 1889 by the late M. A. Wilson. It has been served by the following pastors: J. A. Leslie, W. A. Simmons, D. A. Ramey, D. A. Glenn, H. M. Fugate, Willis Waytes, ..... Ellyson, and the present pastor, M. O. Alexander. M. H. Kiser, clerk and treasurer of the church; A. G. Kiser, superintendent of the Sunday school; Aaron Russ, treasurer of the Sunday school. Present membership, 160. This congregation is well organized in all departments, and owns a good house of worship in the town of Tazewell.

## POCAHONTAS BAPTIST CHURCH.

By J. M. Newton.

This is one of several Baptist churches established in this section by the late Rev. M. A. Wilson, who became its first pastor. It was soon after the town was started in the early eighties, when the hidden wealth of this great mountain region had been brought to the attention of capitalists and already the railroad had been built and coal being shipped. Rev. Wilson held a meeting and secured the names of several Baptists who had come in from other sections; also several professions of faith resulted from the revival meeting held by him, and it was decided to build a church. Means were lacking, but faith and pluck were abundant. The church was built and in a few years paid for by such men as John L. Baber, Walter J. Turpin, Walter W. Odor, Frederick H. Baker, Henry Smith, Sam. B. Cook, James S. Hensley, William W. French and others, to say nothing of a band of loyal women, giving their time, money and efforts. Later on others came in, after the church building was erected and paid for, and helped in the erection of a good parsonage on the church lot just east of the church building. The church has had able men for pastors, some of whom have gone to other parts of the country and filled very important pulpits as well as other responsible positions. Among the pastors who have served the church are the names of Revs. M. A. Wilson, Harris, Leonard, R. E. L. Taylor, John V. Dickenson, D. A. Ramey, C. J. Jones, Jr., Victor I. Masters, Rufus E. Holder, A. B. Kennedy, W. R. Rickman and J. O. Alderman. It would take too much time to mention something of these men and their work here and elsewhere, yet there are incidents that would be interesting and profitable. The building is in the heart of town, on a residence street, and has always contained on its roll the names of some of the best people of the community as well as loyal, faithful workers. It has been more or less of a mission church, principally because of its being located in a mining town. Many who have come to the town to work in the mines or stores or railroad have been brought under the influence of this church and gone elsewhere to fill places of importance in the interest of the kingdom. It is still a force for righteousness in the community, and has perhaps the largest Sunday school in its history.



## HISTORY OF GRAHAM BAPTIST CHURCH.

Prepared by Mrs. W. K. Graves, formerly Mrs. B. C. James.

Graham Baptist Church was organized in March, 1900, at the close of the meeting conducted by Rev. E. T. Mason, Jr., and Rev. J. H. Franklin. There were thirty-four charter members, but only the following names are available:

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Burton; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Garnett and daughter, Olia; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Harvey and daughter, Gertrude; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Repass; Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Seabolt; Miss Hattie Longworth; S. T. Litz; W. S. King; A. W. Barbe.

Rev. E. T. Mason, Jr., was called as pastor to give one-fourth time to the church, with a salary of one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) per year. D. C. Burton was elected clerk and treasurer. Until a deacon or deacons were appointed, the finances were looked after by committees from the membership. Mrs. D. C. Burton and Miss Olia Garnett were appointed to collect pastor's salary and S. T. Litz and Miss Gertrude Harvey incidental expense money.

The infant organization worshipped in an old store building, long since removed, situated on the west bank of Mason Creek. On July 21, 1901, brethren D. C. Burton, S. W. Garnett and S. T. Litz were appointed a building committee and authorized to "purchase a lot and erect a house of worship", a privilege of which they did not avail themselves however. A number of subscriptions were taken, but very little money collected, for the pastor resigned and the matter was dropped.

For nearly four years the little flock was shepherdless, although several unsuccessful attempts were made to secure a pastor. Finally, in July, 1905, Rev. G. C. Duncan took charge of the work for half time, and at once renewed the campaign for a house of worship. Some money was collected and a lot situated on the corner of Tazewell Avenue and Walton Street was given by Mrs. Martha J. Linkous. It is interesting to note just here that the daughter of Mrs. Linkous, Mrs. G. B. Stevens, and her husband donated two-thirds of this valuable lot upon which this new church is now being erected. In the fall of 1905 the foundation was completed to the top of the ground; a cement block machine purchased, for it had been decided to build the church of cement blocks, and about five-hundred blocks were made, when cold weather stopped the



work. Spring found the church again pastorless, and the work was not resumed.

In August of 1906 a unanimous call was extended to Rev. B. C. James, then doing mission work in the coal fields. He accepted for half time, giving the other half to the work at Keystone, W. Va., where he had just led in the building of a church house. He bought a home in Graham and moved his family here, and his wife, three daughters and one son are still members of this church. He at once put on a systematic drive for financing the building enterprise. A favorite motto of his was, "Put business into religion, as well as religion into business", and the church felt that at last their dream of a house of worship would be realized. But God willed once more to remove their leader, this time by death, for Brother James died of typhoid fever on November 2, 1906, after having been on the field only about two months. Crushed and disappointed, the little band of Baptists looked to the "God of All Comfort" and of infinite wisdom for guidance and strength for the situation. The organization was at this time no stronger numerically than at its beginning. The Presbyterians were according us the use of their church two Sundays in each month, and we held prayer services in lieu of preaching. We joined with the Presbyterians in Sunday School. In May, 1907, the Lord put it into the hearts of the First Baptist Church of Bluefield to build a larger church for their worship and to donate their old church to the Baptists of Graham. Accordingly, with hearts full of praise and gratitude, we set ourselves to the task of tearing down, moving, and erecting again this church, using the foundation we had already laid. Thus at a total cost of two thousand, four hundred fourteen dollars (\$2,414.00) we completed and furnished our building on Tazewell Ave. This was all done without a pastor. The church was dedicated on the fifth Sunday of September, 1907. We then organized our own Sunday School, and though for many years we remained few in number, we believe God blessed our efforts to teach His word and to train the young for His service. We continued to have Sunday prayer services and sometimes prayer services in the homes.

Not very long after the completion of the house of worship, the church was bereft by death, of one of her most prominent members, Brother D. C. Burton, and in less than six months, another most active and earnest deacon, Brother S. T. Litz, died. We remained pastorless until the summer of 1908, when Rev. L. M. Holloway

accepted our call and gave his whole time to the work. The State Mission Board helping us to support him. He and his consecrated wife were untiring workers, and the cause prospered. The membership increased to seventy (70) and, for the first time in our history, we had a flourishing Woman's Missionary Society under the efficient leadership of Mrs. J. K. Ball. Great good was also accomplished through cottage prayer meetings and a number confessed Christ in their homes. Brother Holloway's pastorate was short, however.

After his departure the State Board suggested that Graham and Calvary Church, Bluefield, W. Va., form a field, which we did in May, 1909, and called Rev. J. H. Franklin as pastor. He lived in Graham, and was a godly man, loved and honored by all. Each church had one service each Sunday. We feel that we did a good work under Brother Franklin's leadership, but Calvary outgrew us and demanded more of the pastor's time so he moved to Bluefield and gave three Sundays to Calvary and one to Graham. We changed our weekly prayer service to Thursday night so he could be with us in that service as well as with the Calvary Church. This arrangement continued until the close of 1914, when it was plainly seen that Calvary needed a full-time pastor and Graham more than one-fourth ( $1/4$ ) time, so our pastor accepted the call to Calvary and we began to seek and pray for another leader. It was about this time that the church sustained a heavy loss in the death of another deacon, Mr. R. W. Embrey. He had served the church in various capacities, and most notably perhaps as treasurer. After his death, Mr. W. K. Graves was made treasurer and has served ever since.

The need of better equipment for our Sunday School was realized in 1913 and a committee was appointed to look into the matter of enlarging and otherwise improving our church building. No very satisfactory plan could be worked out, so nothing was done until our new pastor, Rev. J. E. Gibson, came, and then we decided to buy a lot in a more central location with a view to building a new church some day. This was done in 1917. The lot was just back of the old Dudley and Frazier store house, on the Sanders road, and was purchased for the sum of six hundred (\$600.00) dollars. Brother Gibson was a young man of deep spirituality, and was the means of deepening the spirituality of many of us while he was our pastor. It was with sad hearts that we gave him up after he had been with us for two years.



In the summer of 1918 the church was greatly strengthened and encouraged by the coming to our town from Pocahontas, of Brother J. M. Newton and his splendid family.

From the date of Brother Gibson's resignation in December, 1917, until October, 1919, the pulpit was filled more or less regularly by supplies—first, by Rev. T. H. Campbell, pastor at Tazewell; then for one summer by H. W. Riddle, a ministerial student at Richmond College; then, for some months, Rev. G. S. Ellyson, pastor of Calvary Church, Bluefield, preached for us on Sunday afternoons. Finally, in October, 1919, he accepted our call and gave his full time to our church. We paid him one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per month, unaided by the Board, but since that was not a sufficient living, the church granted him permission to give half time to Tazewell church. This arrangement was continued for eight months, at the expiration of which time he returned to us for full time.

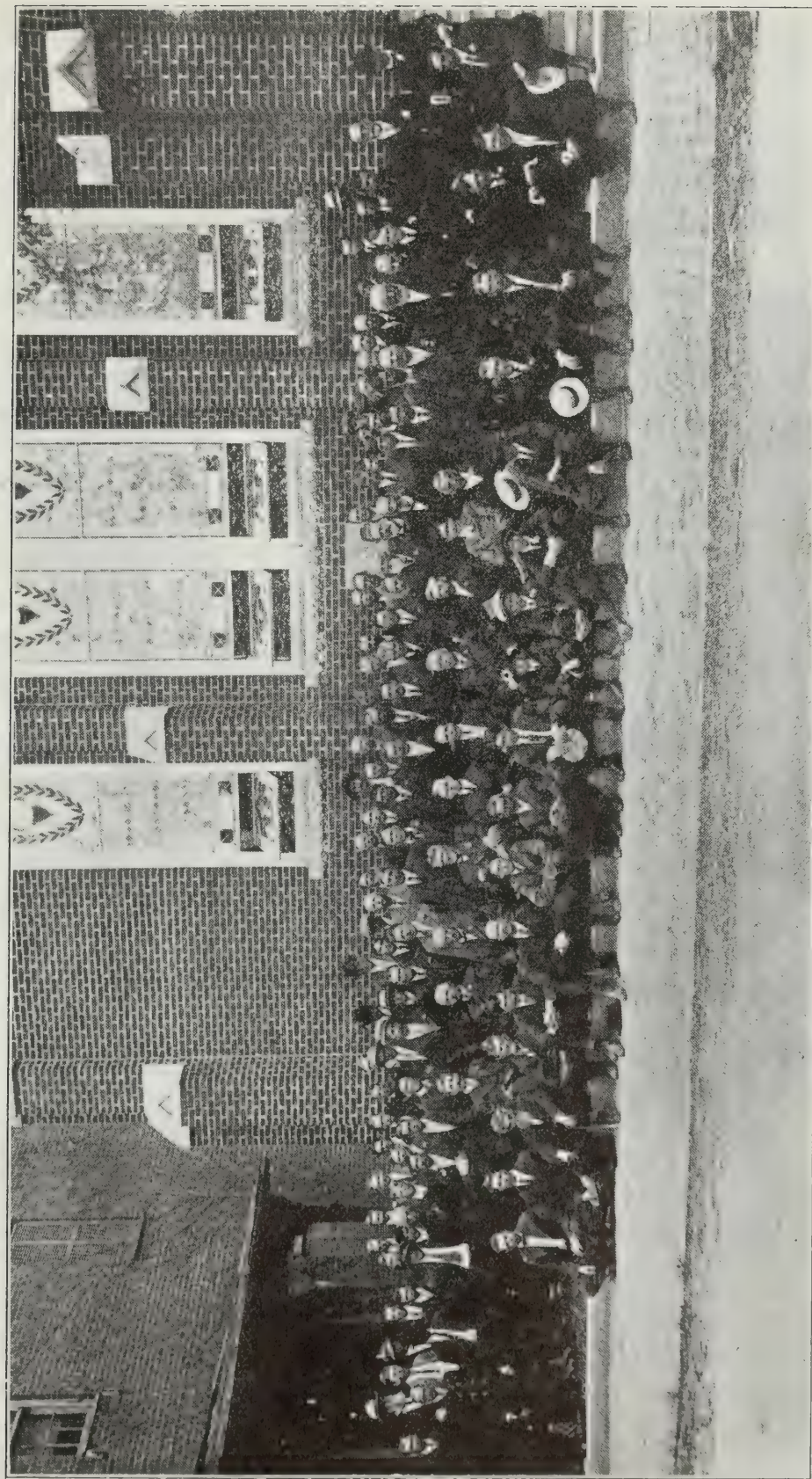
In February, 1920, we purchased the R. E. Baldwin residence on Tazewell Avenue for parsonage, and the pastor moved his family into it.

In May, 1919, the Baptists of the South launched their seventy-five million (\$75,000,000.00) dollar campaign for missions. Our church was apportioned five thousand, five hundred (\$5,500.00) dollars, but after very careful and enthusiastic preparation for the drive on the part of our pastor, the subscriptions amounted to rather more than eight thousand (\$8,000.00) dollars.

Brother Ellyson proved to be a very strong preacher with marked evangelistic gifts, and he held very successful meetings at various points during his pastorate here. It was also during his pastorate, in the spring of 1921, that the wonderful meeting was conducted in Bluefield by Billy Sunday. Our church suspended all activities for the period of the meeting and co-operated with Mr. Sunday and his party in the greatest spiritual campaign ever put on in this community.

Brother Ellyson's work with us ceased with the month of September, 1921. A pulpit committee was immediately appointed and they were earnest in their efforts to secure another pastor. On November 9, 1921, a unanimous call was extended by Graham and Tazewell churches to Rev. M. O. Alexander, then chaplain in the Navy and located at Key West, Florida. He accepted and took charge of the work in December, 1921. He soon took up the task of





M. E. Church South and Men's Bible Class, Tazewell, Va.





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leading us in the erection of this new house of worship, which for many years has been our great need. As before stated, a valuable fifty (50) foot lot donated by Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Stevens and an additional thirty-five (35) foot lot on the corner was purchased by the church. The lot purchased in 1907 was sold and the proceeds applied to the building fund. A building committee consisting of: J. M. Newton, C. S. Pippin, C. W. Mathews, Mrs. J. A. Strickland, Miss Glenna James was appointed and they employed Mr. Herbert L. Cane of Richmond, as Architect, and decided on the plans. After careful consideration of all bids submitted, the committee awarded the contract to Leedy & Barnett of Graham. We deemed it wise to sell the parsonage and the old church and concentrate our efforts on the new church.

The name of the church was changed from Graham Baptist to Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Baptist Church.

A financial campaign for the church building fund was very wisely and successfully conducted by our pastor and our people gave nobly. The building of this new church is a great undertaking for so weak a membership, but we are going forward in faith, believing that God will honor our efforts to honor Him thus.

The contract called for a completed building this month, but owing to the Railroad strike and the consequent delay in the arrival of material, the work has been greatly hindered.

We are deeply grateful to our friends of other churches who are helping us in this great undertaking.

We praise God today for the history of our church, for we feel that He has blessed our feeble efforts in His name.

While we have never been strong either in numbers or finances and while we have been hampered for years by lack of equipment, still we feel that our efforts have not been in vain.

Our Sunday School and Baptist Young Peoples' Union have done excellent work. Two of our young men, Ray Hyatt and Kenneth Newton, are studying for the ministry, while two of our girls have dedicated their lives to definite Christian work, viz: Miss Beatrice Repass, who, having graduated from the Training School, now has charge of an Italian Mission in St. Louis, Mo., and Miss Glenna James, who is attending the Training School at Louisville, Ky. Rev. C. E. Hamric, for years one of our members, went from us to the Seminary and is now the successful pastor of a large church in Akron, Ohio. Many others have developed into efficient



leaders either here or elsewhere. The women, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. J. A. Strickland, are taking a noble part both in the seventy-five million campaign and in the building enterprise.

We have all the organizations of a well regulated Baptist church, viz: Sunday School, Senior and Junior B. Y. P. U.'s, Woman's Missionary Society, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Royal Ambassadors, Girls' Auxiliary, Sunbeam Band.

The total membership today is one hundred forty seven (147). Of this number at least twenty-seven (27) are out of touch with the church most of them having moved away, we know not where.

We also praise God for our noble pastor, Rev. M. O. Alexander and his wife, who, by their faith and consecration, coupled with enthusiasm and untiring zeal, have led us to a new realization of our high calling in Christ Jesus, and our ability to do great things for Him through faith.

May God's richest blessing ever rest upon our church, and make her a great soul-saving power, in this community, and grant that her influence may reach to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) MRS. W. K. GRAVES,

July, 1923.

Committee.

## THE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN TAZEWELL COUNTY.

By Jno. P. Gose and A. S. Greever.

The first Lutheran congregation in Tazewell county was organized by Rev. Jacob Scherer in Burke's Garden December 9, 1828, with George Spracher as elder and trustee and Matthias Fox and Michael Ritter as deacons.

The names of the members of the original congregation are: George Spracher and wife, Margaret; Peter Spracher and wife, Barbara; Matthias Fox and wife, Barbara; Michael Ritter; Philip Gose and wife, Elizabeth; George Rhudy and wife, Catherine; John Hedrick and wife, Elizabeth; Samuel Hanshaw and wife, Eve; Mary Wynn; Peter Gose; Duncan Cameron; Peter Fox; John Spracher, twenty in all.

The Church Council, from organization to the present time, has had as members: Rev. Jacob Scherer and George Gose, elder and trustee, at organization, 1828, with Matthias Fox and Michael Ritter as deacons; George Rhudy, 1830; David Wynn, 1834; Peter Spracher, 1838; Stephen Spracher, elder, 1847; Jas Mahood, 1848;

John Spracher and Jacob Rhudy, 1853; Jesse Peery and Erastus Spracher, 1865; George Gose, 1871; Henry Groseclose, 1875; Jos. L. Groseclose, 1875; David S. Fox, 1881; Jos. S. Moss, 1887; John P. Gose and John H. Greever, 1888; C. H. Greever and E. W. Peery, 1891; Stephen R. Spracher and A. E. Peery, 1901; R. S. Moss and Stephen S. Fox, 1902; A. S. Greever, 1906; Elmer L. Rhudy, 1918; Roy Meek, 1920; M. Cassell and T. R. Boling, 1920.

An approximately correct list of pastors of this congregation follows: Rev. Jacob Scherer, 1828; Rev. ——— Tabler, 1836; Rev. J. J. Greever (whom Gov. Floyd called the "Daniel Webster of the Pulpit"), from about 1840 to 1877; Rev. H. E. Bailey, 1878 to 1891; Rev. J. A. Morehead, 1892; Rev. E. H. Kohn, 1895; Rev. J. H. Wyse, 1898; Rev. J. P. Miller, 1906; Rev. E. L. Ritchie, 1907; Rev. R. Homer Anderson, 1915; Rev. S. W. Hahn, 1919; Rev. E. L. Baker, 1922.

The first church building was a log structure, large enough and high enough to permit a gallery running around three sides. The pulpit was a hexagon-shaped box affair standing some distance up on the end wall of the room and mounted by a narrow steep stairway.

This first building was erected on land donated by Samuel Sayers about 1827 and was a community project. A peculiar subscription list has been preserved, giving the names of each party contributing and exactly what material he would give and what work he would do. It was expressly stated that no person failing to do something toward the building would be allowed a seat to the exclusion of some one else.

The present church building was erected in 1876 on land donated by the Rhudy heirs. This church is a Lutheran church, with the title in the Church Council of the Lutheran congregation but with a provision in the deed allowing the Methodists and Presbyterians each one Sunday in every month the use of the church.

Besides the parent Lutheran congregation in Burke's Garden, two other congregations, one at Graham (now Bluefield, Va.) and the other at Tazewell, have been organized by persons going from Burke's Garden to those points.

#### SUBSCRIPTION CONTRACT.

The original Subscription Contract for the erection of the first church above named is an interesting historical document. It is as follows:



“Know all men by these presents, That we, the undersigned, are held and firmly bound unto James Meek, George Spracher, Philip Gose, Oliver Wynn and Samuel Sayers, Trustees, in the penal sum of Fifty Dollars, lawful money of Virginia, to which payment we each bind ourselvs, our heirs, &c., severally by these presents.

“The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas it is desired to build a house for the worship of God in Burkes Garden, near the lynn spring, on the lands of Samuel Sayers and George Rhudy, which house is to be considered under the direction of the aforesaid trustees or their successors in office to be at any time nominated and appointed by the citizens of said place; it is further understood that the aforesaid trustees is to obtain the land from said Sayers and said Rhudy sufficient for said house and its use so soon as it may be practicable so to do. It is also agreed that the said subscribers do mention opposite their names the part or parts of work that they may undertake to do, which work is to be done under the direction of the aforesaid trustees. If any difference of opinion should arise amongst the people of said place as respects said house or its use for the aforesaid purposes, such difference is to be left to the aforesaid trustees, a majority of whom agreeing shall make the matter final. It is agreed that whenever there shall be a sufficiency of work or money subscribed, in the opinion of said trustees or a majority of them, notice shall be given to each, and after allowing reasonable time to do the same in, if any should fail then the trustees shall hire such part or parts of work done and receive from the delinquent party the amount which they have to give for said work either by suit or otherwise.

“It is further agreed that no person (who is a citizen of said place) who shall refuse to do a reasonable part in building said house shall be allowed a seat in the same to the exclusion of any other.

“It is further understood that when any one shall comply with the above agreement, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue, as witness our hands and seals this — day of —, 1826.

“We will furnish, at the place, nicely hewn, for the body of the house, 30 ft. long by 26 ft. wide, sufficient to raise it 16 ft. high; two summer beams, joists, wall plates, sills and sleepers—Samuel Sayers, George Rhudy, Thomas Peery, J. C. Lass, Philip Gose.



We will make the shingles sufficient to cover the house and assist in framing the plates and rafters—Peter Fox. We will furnish at the place 16 pairs of rafters 17½ ft. long, hewn and peeled, and haul the shingles—Nelson Green, Samuel Hanshue. We will cut cherry and oak stalks sufficient to make plank to finish the house and also for sheeting—John Day, David Day, Wm. Day. We will haul the stalks to the mill, the plank to the house, and have it seasoned sufficient for said house, and sheeting cannot be sawed, we will furnish lathes—George Spracher, Oliver Wynn. We will do the sawing sufficient for said house—Peter Gose. We will frame the wall plates and rafters, joint the shingles, sheet or lathe the house, cover it and weatherboard the gable ends—John Heninger, Philip Greever. I will find iron and make the hinges for one door, five windows, nails, hooks and steeples for the door and windows—Peter Litz, Jas. Meek. I will make the pulpit and table in workmanlike manner—Wm. Shannon, David Wynn. We will lay the floor, make and hang one door, 3 windows, 15 lights each, 2 with nine each, and seats for said house, also stairs to go on the gallery—David Heninger, Joseph Moore, S. Mahood, Henry Day, Peter Alder. I will do \$8 worth of work to the inside of the house—Henry Snider. We will underpin the house with rock, chink it with 18 inch blocks of wood, and daub it with lime mortar inside and out—Michael Ritter, William Hall, John Polly, John Workman, James Stobaugh. Howard Havens, 4 days work. William Heninger, Abraham Workman, 4 days work. James Conly will give one big arm chair for the preacher. Elijah Corder will give 3 days work. James Havens will do a small part. I will do 4 days work with two horses—William Heninger, Isaac Heninger. I will do 4 days work—Philip Heninger, Jas. Green. I will pay five dollars, to be paid when the house is done—A. Hall. I will pay three dollars toward the house—Henry Harman. I will pay six dollars toward the house—George Thompson.”

The building was completed and the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation was organized in December, 1828.

There does not seem to be any record of when the Methodist and Presbyterian Congregations were organized.

In 1869 we find the following report of the then ruling Trustees:

Forty-three years have elapsed since the erection of aforesaid house, which house is now in a state of dilapidation and demands the action of the trustees to consider the necessity and propriety of

the erection of a new and more commodious house 'of worship, to be erected on the land appropriated as aforesaid or elsewhere. Therefore we, the undersigned trustees, hereby recommend to the citizens of Burkes Garden that they appoint a committee of three or more persons to draft an article of assignment as a subscription for the erection of a new house of worship, to be erected on the land appropriated as aforesaid, as near the site now occupied by the old house as may be deemed proper, and that such provisions be made in the aforesaid article as will be best calculated to preserve the intentions of the donors of the land and the first subscribers and provide for the present emergency and future tranquillity—Stephen Spracher, Joseph Meek, George Gose, Trustees. So on the 25th of September, 1869, a meeting was held and Rev. J. J. Greever was appointed chairman of a committee to solicit subscriptions, and Stephen Spracher, Jos. S. Moss, Erastus Spracher, Saml. L. Thomas, and Frank W. Kelly to assist. Joseph Meek was elected treasurer; George Gose, Jos. Meek and Geo. G. Rhudy, building committee. A collecting committee of Jno. D. Greever, Andrew Baldwin and Thomas Peery.

The following was the report of the soliciting committee: Money, \$1,266.50; material, \$477.00; labor, \$159.00; hauling \$122.50; total, \$2,025.

The following are the cash subscriptions: Thomas Peery, \$100; Philip Greever, \$50; John W. Gillespie, \$10; Elizabeth Peery, \$50; John H. Baumgardner, \$10; Thos. E. Howell, \$10; Gordon C. Connelly, \$10; Stephen Spracher, Sr., \$200; John D. Greever, \$100; George Gose, \$150—paid \$227; J. R. Thompson, \$2.50; Michael Baugh, \$25; Jos. S. Moss, \$25; Anthony Lawson, \$50—paid \$75; Frank M. Moss, \$10; David M. Baugh, \$5; Mary E. Litz, \$5; Peter J. Spracher, \$10; Geo. W. Moss, \$10; Andrew Baldwin, \$50; Jacob Cameron, \$1; Morgan Wynn, \$10; Richard B. Lawson, \$25; H. H. McGinnis, \$10; B. R. Moss, \$25; Wm. P. Davis, \$20; T. R. Ferrill, \$10; Joseph Meek, \$100; W. T. Walker, \$15; Geo. P. Thompson, \$2.00; John Helmandollar, \$1; J. H. Thompson, \$2; Matthias Fox, \$15; Lydia Hall, \$2; A. J. Hall, \$1; Peter Spracher, Sr., \$30; Wm. L. Spracher, \$5; Patton R. Spracher, \$20; Thos. S. Carnahan, \$25; Frank W. Kelly, \$10; Emory G. Hankla, \$5; P. B. Snapp, \$50, and \$50 to be paid in store goods, but not more than \$10 in groceries; Wm. E. Hoge, \$50; J. M. Hoge, \$25.



*Subscriptions in Materials.*—Jas. Mahood and C. H. Greever will furnish all the weatherboarding on spot (\$50, est.); D. B. Greever will furnish 10,000 good shingles on spot (\$40, est.); Stephen Mahood will furnish plank for lower floor on spot (\$40, est.); John Ritter, A. J. Ritter and G. P. Ritter will furnish all the sand and lime necessary (\$77, est.); Jessee Peery \$00 in lumber suitable for seats; J. R. Crockett, in glass and nails, \$25; Thos. K. Hall, lumber, \$10; John L. Thomas, in lumber, \$10; G. G. Rhudy, timber for sills, plates, girders and 3 tie beams 44 ft. long; Robt. M. Lawson, glass, nails, paint, \$75; Wm. P. Davis, in lumber, \$20; Robt. Stephenson, in lumber, \$5; John Spracher, Sr., 5,000 good shingles on spot (\$20, est.); Wm. L. Spracher, 300 ft. slat timber and 400 ft. good plank (\$10, est.); Erastus Spracher, 2,000 good shingles on spot (\$8, est.); Henry Huddle will furnish 12 window and door posts, 18 ft. long 5x8 in.; 8 braces, 11 ft. long 5x8 in., and 8 braces, 9 ft. long 5x8 in.; Jos. L. Groseclose will furnish in material \$20; D. S. Fox, Sr., and Stephen Fox, will furnish 3,000 good shingles (\$12, est.).

*The following are subscriptions in labor.*—Rufus F. Goodman, \$10; Henry W. Lambert, \$5; John Knuckles, \$2; Wm. H. Jamison, \$10; John W. Sparks, \$2; Wm. H. Lewis, \$5; Isaach Grubb, \$5; Hugh L. Grubb, \$5; George W. Bryant, \$5; Wm. T. Wynn, \$20; David Stump, \$10; Augustus C. Ratliff, \$5; Caleb A. Thompson, \$10; George W. Wynn, \$5; Thomas M. Bourne, \$10; Jas. R. Meek in sawing, \$50.

*The following in hauling.*—Matthias Fox, \$15; Katie Rhudy, \$10; Jacob Spracher and Adam Spracher, \$15; John Spracher, Jr., \$5; Granville Stump, \$5; Josiah Wynn, \$10; Andrew Boling, \$25; Jas. H. Knuckles, \$10; George Snider and B. P. Snider, \$15; Spangler Fox and Stephen Fox, \$12.

The original subscriptions proving insufficient to complete the house, the following extra was given: Stephen Spracher, \$50; Stephen S. Fox, \$5; Jessee Peery, \$10; John D. Carnahan, \$5; George Gose, \$50; Wm. T. Wynn, \$5; John S. Walker, \$5; J. R. Crockett, \$5; F. M. Moss, \$2; J. L. Groseclose, \$15; John H. Baumgardner, \$5; B. R. Moss, \$2.50; John G. Peery, \$5; T. E. Howell, \$5; Wm. L. Spracher, \$5; J. L. Groseclose, \$15 additional. The church was completed and dedicated in 1876.



## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

Vol. 1, Annals of Tazewell, page 380, says:

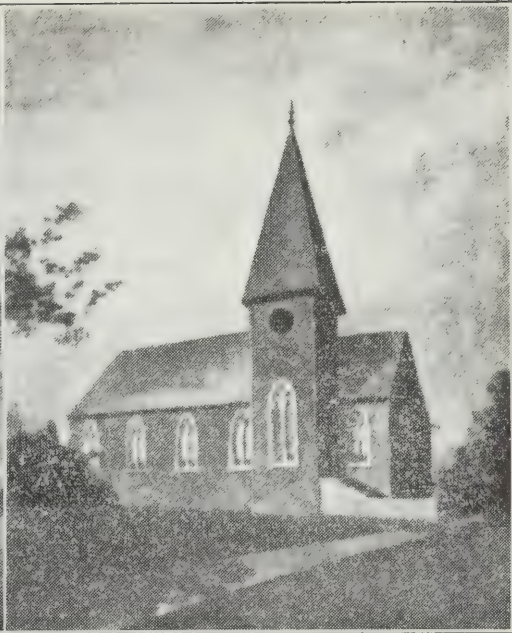
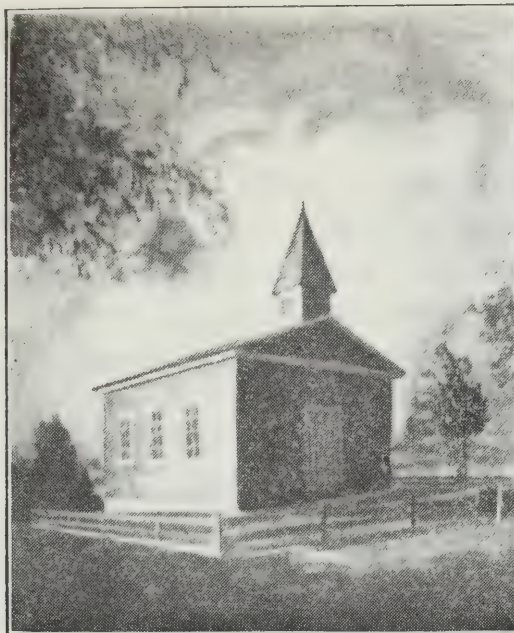
“The first Presbyterians in the county were William Perry, Samuel Walker and his wife. Prof. Doak preached the first sermon to them, somewhere about 1798. He was soon followed by Rev. Mr. Crawford, from Washington county. The first church was in the Cove, in 1833, which was placed in charge of Rev. Dugald McIntyre, assisted by Rev. Mr. McEwin. This church, from some cause, was suffered to go down, and the Presbyterians were without a regular church till the summer of 1851, when a church was organized at Jeffersonville, and placed in charge of Rev. Mr. Naff. They have one church, and about twenty communicants.”

Many of the pioneers of this county were prominent members of the Presbyterian Church. Our state and national governments are indebted largely to the Presbyterian Church because of its unwavering support of the principles of local self-government. They have always opposed centralization both in church and state.

The high educational standards prescribed by the church for their ministers so restricted the number of preachers available in this pioneer territory that their members, who came at an early date to make their homes in this mountain section, were so destitute of the ministrations of their own preachers that they turned to the Methodists, whose splendid itinerant system provided them with their much-needed religious instruction and leadership.

*The Tazewell Presbyterian Church* (formerly known as the Jeffersonville Presbyterian Church) was organized September 14, 1851, at Tazewell, Virginia, by the Rev. I. N. Naff, then an evangelist of New River Presbytery and laboring in Tazewell County, through whose efforts chiefly the organization was effected. The request for this organization was signed by eleven persons, residents of the village or county, among whom were a few persons that had belonged to a Presbyterian church organized in 1833 in Ward's Cove, in this county, which church, however, ceased to exist a number of years before. These eleven charter members were as follows: Alexander Ward, Sr., Jane Ward, Rosanna I. Witten, Washington Spotts, Amanda Cox, Elizabeth I. Peery, Rufus Brittain, M. Lavalette Estill, Jane Roberts, Wm. L. Watkins, and Mary L. Benham.

Mr. Naff was assisted in this organization by the Rev. D. S. Palmer, then a stated supply or pastor of the Presbyterian Church



Erected 1852-3. Used until 1889.

Erected 1889. Used until 1923.



Presbyterian Church, Tazewell, Va. Erected in 1924.  
(Three buildings erected on same site).





Episcopal Church, Tazewell, Va.



at Marion, Smythe County, Va. The religious services on this occasion were held in the old Methodist Church building in the west end of the village, in which building some of the members of the Presbyterian congregation claimed certain privileges by virtue of conditional aid they had given in its erection.

At this organization Washington Spotts and Rufus Brittain were elected and ordained as ruling elders; Mr. Spotts served in that capacity until his death, November, 1871, and Mr. Brittain till his death, April, 1899.

Mr. Naff served the church, as stated supply, until some time in 1857. He was succeeded by Rev. Jonathan Lyons, who served as stated supply until his installation as its pastor in 1870. The church has had only eight pastors, viz: Revs. Lyons, Johnson, Naff, Doggett, Herndon, Ruff, Hall and the present pastor, Dr. W. W. Arrowood.

Elders—Rufus Brittain, 1852-1899; Washington Spotts, 1851-'71; W. H. Maxwell, 1852-'53; I. E. Chapman, 1870-'77 and 1889-'95; J. H. Alexander, 1870-'91; James C. Spotts, 1872-1900; J. C. Hopkins, 1877-'85; A. J. Tynes, 1884-1914; J. D. Alexander, 1884-'88-'96-1925; J. H. Stuart, 1896-1911; G. W. St. Clair, 1896-1925; W. A. Scott, 1904-'25; J. W. Chapman, 1915-'25; A. M. Black, 1915-'25.

Deacons—J. D. Alexander, 1872-'84; A. J. Tynes, 1872-'84; C. H. Belew, 1885-1924; J. M. Spotts, 1885-'89; John Brittain, 1890-'91; G. W. St. Clair, 1892-'96; J. H. Stuart, 1892-'96; J. B. Painter, 1895-1903; W. A. Scott, 1897-1904; A. M. Black, 1904-'15; L. A. Tynes, 1904-'25; G. W. McConnell, 1916-'20; R. M. Kelly, 1916-'25; Jeff Ward, 1916-'25; W. L. Painter, 1916-'25.

Miss Ella Bowen, Pastor's Assistant; Richard M. Kelly, Treasurer; George W. St. Clair, Clerk since 1899, Major Rufus Brittain having served as Clerk from date of organization, 1851, until 1899.

In April, 1924, report of the church showed the following: Members added to the church, 44; resident communicants, 217; non-resident communicants, 45; benevolent funds contributed during the year, \$4,030.

During the existence of this church three buildings have been erected on the same lot—1852, 1889, and 1924—the pictures of which appear below.

Dr. M. W. Doggett is pastor of the churches at Bowen's Cove and Thompson Valley.

## EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

Data by B. W. Stras, Jr.

The first Episcopal Church erected in Tazewell County was Stras Memorial Church, which was built in Tazewell in 1886. It was built in memory of Eleanor Letitia Stras, the wife of Joseph Stras, Sr. The first rector was Rev. Gauss, and his successors in order are the following: Rev. W. L. Dennis, Rev. Stephen Southall, Rev. W. R. Savage, Rev. Mr. Lancaster, Rev. W. D. Buckner, Rev. Curtis Fletcher, Rev. C. W. Sydnor, first Arch Deacon L. L. Loyd, Rev. E. A. Rich, and the present rector, Rev. H. H. Young. The confirmed membership of the church at the present time is twenty-two. The present members of the vestry are Messrs. Jno. E. Jackson, R. E. Meade, C. M. Hunter and B. W. Stras, Jr.

*Christ Church*, Pocahontas, was built about the year 1889 and has a confirmed membership of eleven.

*St. Mary's Church*, Bluefield, Virginia, was built in 1903 and has an active membership of one hundred. A commodious stone rectory was also erected at the same time immediately adjoining the Church. Vestry: R. L. Poindexter, T. A. Osborne, R. Longworth, W. B. Dunn, J. M. Tanner and S. N. Hufford.

*Trinty House*, Richlands, was built about 1920 and is used as a community house. There are fifteen members of the church in Richlands and vicinity.

The church authorities of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, which embraces Tazewell, has erected and maintains St. Paul's Mission Church at Flat Top Yards, Virginia.

## DISCIPLES OF CHRIST (Christian Church).

*Antioch* is believed to have been the first organization of the Disciples of Christ in Tazewell County. A log church house was erected in the Bluestone Valley, about five miles below Springville, in which this congregation worshiped for many years. Later the members formed other congregations in other neighborhoods, which so depleted Old Antioch that regular services there were abandoned. The Springville Church was organized in 1862 to 1865. Many of the old members of Antioch and their descendants became members of Springville, Bluefield, Va. (formerly Graham), and Falls Mills Churches.



F. S. Wallace, of Springville Church, has sent us a copy of the old records from that church, which seem to include the Old Antioch records. From the dates of baptisms and other items from this record, we can ascertain about the time the first preachers came to the county and organized the first churches. This record is as follows: Henry Yost, baptized 1835; Jacob Francisco, 1836; Allen Broyles, 1849; Erasmus Harry, 1853; and R. B. Tabor, 1858. The female members are: Tempie Yost, baptized 1835; Mary Francisco, 1836; Nellie Wright, 1842; E. T. McMullin, 1842; Sallie Hendrickson, 1842; Elizabeth Broyles, 1849; Mary Tabor, 1844; and Virginia Harry, 1854. First elders of record: R. B. Tabor and James Albert. First deacons: Jacob Francisco and Erasmus Harry. Present elders: J. D. Tickle and F. S. Wallace. Present deacon, A. Loring Carter. Present enrollment, 46 members. Names of ministers who have served as preachers and pastors: ——— Litz, Elisha Duncan, James Calfee, Dr. Chester Bullard, ——— Moody, Samuel Austin, P. B. Baber, J. A. Cowgill, J. H. Wingo, R. V. Godby, J. T. Showalter, James H. Gillespie, George W. Harless, D. M. Austin, J. W. West, J. A. Staley, Warren Baldwin, ——— Maupin, Dr. W. S. Bullard, Isaac Wright, John A. Tate, J. A. Campbell, Aaron Ferguson, Stephen Davis, and R. O. Crow, the present pastor.

The James Calfee above mentioned performed marriage ceremonies in Tazewell County as early as 1846, as shown in Vol. 1, Annals of Tazewell County.

*Horsepen Church* was organized in 1856 by James Calfee, who began preaching there at the home of James Brooks in September, 1851. Mr. Brooks and some others were the first to confess their faith in Christ and obey the Gospel. Elder Calfee continued to visit and preach in the Cove and adjoining neighborhoods and baptized many of the pioneer settlers in the region round about. Dr. Chester Bullard and his son, the late Dr. W. S. Bullard, riding on horseback from their home at Snowville, Virginia, preached here frequently. Many of the leading citizens of this section became obedient to the faith under the ministry of these men. The late Thomas H. Gillespie and family were among the early members of this church. Many other substantial citizens from Crocketts Cove and Abbs Valley had membership in this congregation. Samuel Austin, James H. Gillespie, James H. Wingo, George W. Harless, J. S. Meadows and others rendered valuable service as preachers



and pastors of this church. Between 300 and 500 people have had membership in this church. Many have died, others have moved away, leaving the present membership about 50. The charter members of Grassy Spur church in Crocketts Cove came from the Horsepen Church. Present Elders, D. B. Daniels and S. A. Graham; present deacons, R. S. Gillespie and C. B. Daniels. (The foregoing data was furnished us by D. B. Daniels.)

*Union Chapel Church.*—The house in which this congregation worshiped was located a few hundred yards west of the forks of the road, in the lower end of Baptist Valley. The late Jackson J. Mays, formerly mayor of Richlands, Virginia, informed the writer that he was baptized by Dr. Chester Bullard in Pulaski County, Virginia, in 1837; that he came to Tazewell several years later, and was a charter member of this church; that it was organized in 1857 by James Calfee, of Mercer County, West Virginia; that Jacob Henkle and James Brewster were the first elders and J. J. Mays and Mark Lockhart were the first deacons. This organization was dissolved many years ago, the members thereof going to other congregations later organized.

*Chestnut Grove Church.*—This church has been heretofore known as "Clear Fork", "Gregory's Chapel", and "Shawver Mills" church. It was organized by Dr. Chester Bullard, of Snowville, Virginia, and James Calfee, of Mercer County, West Virginia, in 1858. The following were charter members: Eliza Britts, baptized June, 1837; Adam Britts, baptized 1843; and the following members baptized July 30 and 31, 1858: Christopher Shawver, George W. Shawver, Nancy C. Shawver, Samuel N. Shawver, Sr., Fannie Shawver, William L. Shawver, Sr., Eleanor Shawver, Statira Shawver Gregory, William A. Leffel and Sarah A. Leffel; present elders—George W. Walker, J. A. Leffel and L. E. Leffel; present deacons—George W. Crabtree, Charles E. Gregory, R. P. Shawver and G. E. L. Shawver; present pastor, Alvah H. Eubank; present clerk, Miss Sallie V. Walker; present treasurer, John A. Leffel. Among the former preachers and pastors of this church we have record of the following names: Dr. Chester Bullard, Dexter A. Snow, George W. Abel, James Calfee, James Cowgill, Samuel Austin, James H. Wingo, G. W. Harless, R. E. Elmore, George S. McClary, A. E. Robertson, John C. Reynolds, James H. Gillespie, D. A. Leffel, and W. S. Bullard. Soon after the death of George

W. Shawver, above mentioned, which occurred October 8, 1889, Dr. Chester Bullard prepared and published the following article:

"In the issue of the "Missionary" last week I see a notice of the death of George W. Shawver, by his son, Chester B. Shawver. The notice is modest, as was his honored father. For the integrity of history it ought to be known that he was the most active and efficient member of the church on the Clear Fork of Wolf Creek. Some thirty years ago James Calfee, the most indelible name in Mercer County, associated with a preacher brother, crossed the East River Mountain into the Valley of Clear Fork, no way distinguished for religion. Religious exercises were commenced in the house of George Shawver, and after the first discourse he, with his wife, confessed the name of Christ. The labors were prosecuted for three days in the week. His father-in-law and wife, Adam and Eliza Britts, his own father, with his three sons and their wives and three daughters, with their husbands and two other parties, constituted the charter members of the Clear Fork Church. Not one of them had ever opened their mouths in religious service. Notwithstanding Calfee and his friend resolved to organize the body for work. George filled the place of elder, his brothers, Samuel and William, deacons, and I believe the ensuing Lord's day was appointed for their first meeting. Rarely from that day to this has the house, which was erected in a short time, failed to echo the name of their Lord and Master. Brother George Shawver was a man of more than ordinary intelligence. It was strange to see one of his opportunities so well able to interest his intelligent hearers. I pray the Lord to supply his place. Most profoundly do I sympathize with his wife, who, in addition to the loss of a most promising son and a most estimable daughter, has this climax of grief in the loss of such a husband. And if I can lift up holy hands for any church it will be for the church on the Clear Fork of Wolf Creek.

C. BULLARD."

(The foregoing information was furnished us by George W. Crabtree, of Shawver Mills, Virginia.)

*Bullard's Chapel* was located on Cavitt's Creek, on a lot conveyed to William Seabolt, J. J. Mays, William Pruitt, R. W. Marrs and H. W. Marrs, trustees of the Christian Church. Deed is dated 1859. The congregation was dissolved many years ago. Mrs. Mary L. Harisson Harman, widow of the late H. Bane Harman, is the only known living member of that congregation.



*Falls Mills Church.*—The lot on which this church stands was conveyed in 1873 to Hugh D. Dudley, Charles A. Hale, Granger Brown, Austin Mullin, and John A. Tabor, trustees. It was a union house built and owned by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Disciples of Christ. Miss Annie Mullin, a member of the Disciples congregation at Falls Mills, is now a missionary in India under the auspices of the United Christian Missionary Society. She is the daughter of the late William Mullin. Ransome Butt and John W. Johnson are the elders, and B. Harris and J. W. Thompson are the deacons.

*Pocahontas Church*, recently organized, has a membership of eighty two. John W. Owens, C. W. Rogers and George W. Gillespie are the elders; W. E. Owens, C. W. Rogers, H. L. Rogers, H. L. Painter, O. C. Wolfe, deacons; C. W. Rogers is treasurer, and William G. Burleigh, pastor.

*Baptist Valley Church* was organized about 1880. Present membership, 53; present elders—Dudley P. Earls, L. Harrison and C. L. Earls; present deacons, J. J. Cochran and Amos Nicewander; present clerk, Arch Harrison; present pastor, J. S. Meadows.

*Pounding Mill Church* was organized by J. N. Harman and the late J. R. Sparks about the year 1885. They both served as pastors for several years and were followed by George W. Harless, James H. Gillespie, R. E. Elmore, Philip Johnson, Isaac Wright, W. S. Bullard, and Alvah H. Eubank, present pastor. Present membership, 100; present elders, L. W. Ringstaff and R. K. Gillespie; present deacons—C. H. Robinett, H. T. Ringstaff, S. T. Sparks, and M. H. Christian; present clerk, Mrs. J. L. Ringstaff; present treasurer, J. T. Sparks.

*Tannersville (Poor Valley) Church.*—The present congregation of this church includes the members of Little Valley Church, which was organized about thirty-five years ago by J. N. Harman, the late J. R. Sparks, and the late C. Mitchell. C. Mitchell served as pastor of the Little Valley and present Tannersville churches a greater part of the time from their organization to the date of his death, which occurred in 1922. This church has erected recently a new building, which is a credit to the community as well as to the congregation. Present membership, 73; present elders—P. S. Ellis, John I. Hilt, J. D. Barnes, and W. E. Hilt; present deacons—J. L. Taylor, R. L. Ellis, G. C. Osborne, E. C. Osborne, and E. A. Barrett.



*Tazewell Church.*—The deed for the lot on which this church is erected was made to George W. Gillespie, George W. Shawver, James W. Baker, and James H. Wingo, trustees, and is dated 1883. It conveys the old Catholic Church and lot situated where Tazewell High School Chapel now stands. The church was organized in 1889. This property was sold and the congregation erected the present building on Pine Street. Present elders, J. N. Johnson and H. W. Pobst; present deacons—Albert Hagy, C. T. Patton, G. M. Mullin, Theodore Pobst, H. B. Pribble, Grover McGuire, and Vernon Johnson; Mrs. W. B. M. Chapman, secretary and treasurer, and H. B. Pribble, clerk. The above named elders and deacons, together with W. T. Gillespie and Barnes Gillespie, constitute the Official Board of the church. Present membership is over 100. The church has been served by the following pastors, in the order named: J. N. Harman, A. A. Ferguson, Cephas Shelburne, Philip Johnson, Robert E. Elmore, Stephen Davis, George McClary, W. S. Bullard, and Alvah H. Eubank, who is the present pastor.

*Richlands Church.*—Soon after the founding of the town of Richlands, William Buskill and family, the Childers and a few other families organized a church and worshiped at the homes of the charter members; later in a small storehouse, which was named Buskill's Chapel. This chapel was located in the northern portion of the town near the point where the old Kentucky turnpike crossed Big Creek. In 1908 the church was reorganized as Richlands Christian Church, at which time a brick building was erected in a central part of town. The deed for the lot on which the church was built was executed by M. C. McCorkle and Rhoda his wife, George W. Gillespie and Barbara his wife, and J. N. Harman and Bettie his wife, to W. P. Farmer, M. M. Hankins and C. N. Dunahue, trustees. Present membership, 60; trustees—M. M. Hankins, W. P. Farmer, and Mrs. Lena Carter; elders, John Burton and Boone Smith; deacons, James T. Altizer and Powell Elswick; treasurer, Mrs. I. T. Jesse; secretary, John R. Scott. After the reorganization of the church J. N. Harman was the first pastor for a short time and was succeeded by the following pastors: Warren Baldwin, W. S. Bullard, Albert G. Buskill, Pierce Blackwell, Walter Forbes, A. H. Eubank, and Isaac Wright, the present incumbent.

*Bluezeld, Va., (formerly Graham) Church* was organized in 1891 in a vacant room in a dwelling-house, with 22 members—namely, O. A. Metcalf, Mrs. Jas. F. Dudley, Mrs. L. P. Walker,

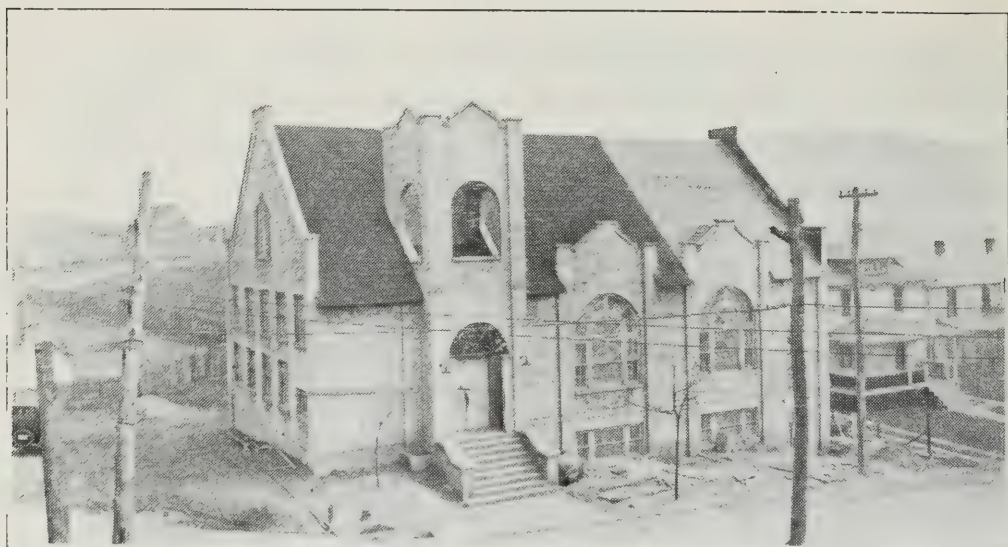
Miss Nannie Bailey, Mrs. Mary Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McWane, Miss Etta McWane (now Kegley), Miss Bess McWayne (now Mahoney), Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hurt, Mr. and Mrs. Addison Harrison, Mrs. J. T. Keister, C. B. Bailey, J. A. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harold, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. McWayne, and R. C. McWayne; trustees—Addison Harrison, O. A. Metcalf and C. P. McWayne. The first building erected by this church was dedicated by B. A. Abbott in 1893. Ministers from 1891 to 1924—J. N. Harman, 1891 and 1907; G. W. Harless; Jonah Sparks; W. G. Burleigh, 1896; J. A. Campbell; A. C. Maupin; R. A. Staley; R. E. Elmore, 1904; Stephen Davis, 1905; Isaac Wright, 1908; George S. McClary, 1909; W. S. Bullard, 1910; J. A. Tate, 1913; J. N. Harker, 1916; W. P. Jordan, 1919; and M. C. Hughes, present pastor, since 1922. The present church was dedicated by Percy George Cross in June, 1922. Present membership, 500; present trustees—Jas. F. Dudley, W. M. Painter, and W. L. Burton; clerk, J. H. Gillespie, Jr.; treasurer, W. J. Fink; Elders—Jas. F. Dudley, G. P. McMullin, W. L. Burton, J. G. Gillespie, J. C. Fink, C. W. Painter, H. C. Broyles, Dr. B. P. Ratcliff, and W. C. Pressley; deacons—J. H. Gillespie, Jr., L. E. Walker, W. P. Sprinkle, J. A. Wallace, J. B. Hankins, O. M. Jennings, G. M. Slade, Jas. Farris, T. A. Armes, A. M. Lane, J. J. Hodges, J. W. Baldwin, T. A. Neel, N. P. Reed, A. B. Leffel, A. F. Frost, T. E. Baker, George Gilpin, T. S. Neel, J. C. Shawver, and J. W. Shawver; Woman's Missionary Society—Mrs. J. Grat Gillespie, president; Mrs. Charles H. Dudley, secretary; and Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, Jr., treasurer; Ladies' Aid—Mrs. W. L. Burton, president; Mrs. A. M. Lane, secretary; and Mrs. J. F. Dudley, treasurer; Young Peoples' Circle—Miss Claudine Lane, president; Miss Hettie McMullin, treasurer; and Lawrence Mahood, secretary; Triangle Club—Miss Adrine Lane, president, and Mrs. M. C. Hughes, superintendent; Christian Endeavor—Mrs. Jess Gillespie, senior superintendent; and Miss Annie Dudley, junior superintendent, and Mrs. J. Glenn Dudley, intermediate superintendent; Sunday School—average attendance, 255; officers and teachers, 24; superintendent, W. J. Fink; primary superintendent, J. F. Dudley; secretaries—George R. Walker, C. H. Dudley, C. Hughes, and L. Mahood; literature secretary, A. M. Lane; Pianists, Miss Annie Dudley and Miss Adrine Lane; orchestra, Fred Walker and Roy Leffel; cornets—L. L. Larkey, saxophone, and A. F. Frost and Herbert Frost, violins.





Christian Church, Tazewell, Va.





Bluefield (Virginia) Christian Church.



Lutheran Church, Tazewell, Va.  
(See page 112)

*Bluefield (West Virginia) Church* was organized in 1891 by James H. Johnson, with a membership of 24. S. G. Sutton became the first pastor. In 1893 a lot was purchased on North Side and a building, seating capacity about 200, was begun, but not finished until 1896. This was dedicated by W. H. Book. The following ministers have served the congregation: J. N. Harman, J. W. West, J. F. Stone, W. W. Williamson, P. B. Abbott, D. R. Moss, W. G. Walters, W. S. Bullard, C. H. Bass, and P. P. Hasselvander, the present incumbent, who has served the church since 1917. On July 7, 1919, the present pastor broke ground for the new building. He himself drew the plans and executed them. A building committee—composed of C. I. Cheyney, J. E. McMullin, G. E. Cawley and the pastor—had complete charge of the work. The building is a three-story one, running through the block, thus facing two streets. The first story is of native sandstone, and the upper two are built of Pittsburgh brick. It has 24 separate rooms, two of which are auditoriums with a seating capacity of about 600 each. The church was dedicated May 6, 1923, by Dr. Earle Wilfley. It has a Sunday school capacity of about 800, of which C. I. Cheyney is superintendent. The church is equipped with grand piano and pipe organ, which was the gift of Captain E. L. Bailey in memory of his parents. The church has three live Christian Endeavor Societies, a Woman's Missionary Society of over a hundred members, and a number of Life Recruits, of whom Mrs. Lois Hasselvander Russell, with her husband, is missionary to Africa, and others are now preparing for Christian service both at home and abroad.

Inasmuch as this church has in its membership so many who came from the Tazewell county churches, and on account of its close co-operation with the Tazewell churches, we here insert the above sketch.

#### DISCIPLES OF CHRIST (Christian) CHURCH (Colored).

*King's Chapel*, Tazewell, Virginia.—Pastor, W. H. Taylor, of Durham, North Carolina; trustees, Charles D. Harman and Oscar Hedrick; elders, William Floyd and Oscar Hedrick; deacons, Samuel R. Thompson and Joseph Morris. Rev. G. M. Dickerson was pastor for eleven years in succession and then again for two years. During his pastorate he baptized over one hundred persons, who took membership in this church.



*Mount Olive*, on Mud Fork.—This church has now only twenty-two members, but five of her former members became ministers in active service and have been instrumental in bringing thousands to Christ. The aggregate years of service performed by these ministers total one hundred and twenty years, the age of Moses. Present pastor, C. M. Dickerson; elder, R. C. Higginbotham; deacons, Charles A. Taylor and Edward Burton.

*Tip Top Church*, at Tip Top, is inactive, except that the former members are now in Bluefield, West Virginia, and other places, many of them being active in other congregations.

*East Graham Church*, at East Graham, has a membership of seventy-five. Pastor, W. H. Taylor, of Durham, North Carolina; trustees—Robert Thompson, George Holly and James Adton; elders—George Holly, Samuel Hairston and Floyd Dickerson; deacons—Robert Thompson, Albert Owen, George Richardson, and Charles W. Price.

The information concerning the above named churches was furnished by Rev. G. M. Dickerson.

No one in the brotherhood of the colored churches has surpassed Rev. G. M. Dickerson in faithful and efficient services to his people.

## ERRATA.

### Volume 1.

Page 75, line 3, should read: "Isaiah Bruce and Sally Justice."

Page 79, line 6, should read: "William Flummer and Nancy Justice."

Page 90, line 16, should read: "Reuben C. Fudge and Nancy Wilburn Harman."

Page 438, under heading "John Davidson Killed", which was copied from Bickley's History of Tazewell, error is made in the location of the place where the massacre occurred. The late Captain John A. Davidson, of Bland county, Virginia, stated that John Davidson "was killed by Indians led by a white desperado named Rice, on Laurel Fork near Rocky Gap, while returning from Rockbridge county, where he had sold land, and had the proceeds (some \$800) on his person when killed and robbed."

We quote the following from the Bluefield Telegraph of June 28, 1925:



## "ERECT MONUMENT AFTER 130 YEARS.

"GRAVE OF JOHN GOOLMAN DAVIDSON, KILLED BY INDIANS AND A RENEGADE WHITE MAN IN 1783, ONLY RECENTLY MARKED.

"Recently a simple monument was erected over the desolate grave of John Goolman Davidson, a pioneer citizen of this section, who was killed by Indians and a renegade white man by the name of Rice more than 130 years ago.

"The monument bearing the description of his death marks the grave of the man who was buried where he was found by friends and neighbors long years ago, after his murderers had left him to go back to the elements. In the years to come, thousands of Americans will see the monument and comment on the life in this section in the days of the frontiersmen's great battle in driving back the Indians, for the Lakes-to-Florida Highway runs within twenty feet from where the tragedy was enacted. The grave is about two miles this side of Rocky Gap, on the new road, and sets back from the highway about twenty feet.

"W. H. Gibson, of Rocky Gap, was the last man alive who remembered the spot where the man was buried. Some forty-nine years ago he was taken to the Davidson grave by John A. Davidson and Joseph Terry, and the story of the shooting was related. John Davidson at that time was more than eighty years old.

"It was the intention of John Davidson to erect the monument, as the murdered man was his great-grandfather. The desire has been continued until Dr. J. J. Davidson and his brothers finally erected it recently.

"John Goolman Davidson was riding from Rocky Gap to his home, near Beaver Pond, in the spring of 1783, and taking several horses with him. It is related he encountered a few Indians, and as he stopped to talk to them he was shot from ambush by a white man named Rice. A tomahawk was found in a tree nearby, where neighbors think the white man rested his gun while taking aim. The dead man was stripped of everything and left near the bank of Laurel Creek, where he was found several days later by a party of friends. The condition of his body did not permit removal to his home, and the grave was dug on the spot where the monument now stands, marked by a huge tree. The party followed the trail of the murdering party and reclaimed the horses after a bitter fight.

“The location of the grave was lost sight of for many years, and then it was located on the farm of T. G. Dangerfield by Joseph Terry, an early citizen, who later moved to McDowell county. Mr. Terry was back in Rocky Gap visiting when he showed the grave to John Davidson. It was the desire of the Davidson family for generations to erect the monument, but each man died without fulfilling his wish. With the opening of the road, however, the present family of Davidsons, living at Rocky Gap, completed the task.”

## CHAPTER X

# Family Genealogies Biographical Sketches and Historical Notes

### BANDY FAMILY.

Thomas Bandy was born about 1745, in Botetourt County, Virginia. He came to Tazewell county where he married his first wife, Nancy Peery. They had three children—John C., William W., and Ellen. Thomas Bandy died in Tazewell County in 1825, aged about eighty years.

John C. Bandy (Thomas) married Elizabeth H. Peery, November 1, 1839. Their children—(a) George W., who married Harriet Peery; they had no children; he was for many years a justice of the peace; he resided near Roarks Gap, in Baptist Valley. (b) John; (c) Mary, who married a Crawford; and perhaps others.

Thomas Bandy married a second time to Sallie Woldridge, July 16, 1842. Their children—(a) Thomas Richard, who married Eliza Sayers (their children—John, who married a Watkins; George, who married Nancy Hankins, daughter of Thomas E.; Lee, who married ——— Whitt; James, and Greever); (b) Lucy, who married John W. Beavers; (c) Elizabeth; and (d) Patsy.

William W. Bandy (Thomas) married Ella Harrison, daughter of Hon. Thomas Harrison, a justice of the peace, and member of the Virginia Legislature. Their children—Thomas, James, Nancy, Guy, Rebecca, Clara, Hannah, John, William, and Joseph.

Thomas Bandy (William W., Thomas) married Lilly Wingo July 28, 1853. Their children—(a) William W., who married Rebecca Bandy; (b) Annie, who married William Mitchell; (c) Ella, who married Erastus Beavers; (d) John, who married Nannie Beavers; (e) Charles, who married a Blankenship; (f) Jane, who married Thomas Beavers; (g) Nannie, who married Columbus Beavers; (h) Mattie, who married W. L. Beavers; (i) Sarilda, who married James Beavers; and (j) Mary Belle, who married Joseph Reynolds.

James Bandy (William W., Thomas) was born near Tazewell Courthouse June 16, 1836. He was a son of W. W. Bandy and Nellie, daughter of the late Thomas Harrison. James Bandy was twice married, his first wife being Nannie, daughter of Daniel



Christian. She was born May 1, 1836, and died December 27, 1874, leaving four children—viz: Rebecca, Ellen, Vincent A., and Bogle. He married the second time Sallie Whitt, on September 18, 1876. They had three daughters—viz: Lula (deceased), Mollie, who married H. Peery Bailey, son of the late George C. Bailey (their children: Nelle, James, Virginia, and George); and (c) Nannie. His second wife, Sallie Whitt, is a granddaughter of Reverend Abijah Whitt, who was a Baptist minister of Montgomery county, Virginia. Her mother was Polly, daughter of James and Rachel Brewster, of Tazewell county, Va.

James Bandy served six months in the 31st Virginia Infantry, C. S. A., then was transferred to Company A., 34th Cavalry, with which he served until the close of the war. He was captured near Marion, Virginia, in 1864, but made his escape and returned to the army. He served as Constable three years, Collector of Taxes seven years, was a member of the Legislature of Virginia for two years, and was Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff of the county about twenty years, and was Sheriff at the time of his death ———, 1903.

Vincent A. Bandy (James, William W., Thomas) married Vicie Wingo.

William Bandy (William W., Thomas) married Sarah Harrison, daughter of Henry Harrison. Their children—John H., who married Belle Payne; they have no children; Dora, May, Edward, and William T.

William Bandy was Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff of Tazewell county, Virginia, for about twenty years. His last term would have expired at the end of 1927. He died April 11, 1925.

Dora Bandy (William, William W., Thomas) married Jesse Tabor. Their children—(a) May, who married Troy Hankins (their children: Dora, and Claude); (b) Sarah Grace, who married Luther Hankins (one child, William); (c) William, who married Rhoda Vandyke (their children: Juanita and Georgia); (d) Erie, (e) Ora, (f) Ruth, (g) Lizzie, (h) George, (i) Edd (deceased), and (j) Irene.

May Bandy (William, William W., Thomas) married Albert Shannon. Their children—(a) William (deceased); (b) Dora, who married Harry Puckett (one child: Raymond); (c) James, (d) Sarah Margaret, who married Carl Osborn (one child: Shannon), (e) John, (f) Belle.

Edward Bandy (William, William W., Thomas) married Blanche Lookhart. Their children—Rex, George, Jessie, Elizabeth (deceased), Bessie, and Clare.

William T. Bandy (William, William W., Thomas) married Ora Sparks. Their children—Clyde, Annie Maude, Farris, James, Robert, and Sarah.

Joseph Bandy (William W., Thomas) married Linnie Beavers. Their children—James, who married Mary Brewster; William, who married a Mr. Altizer, John, and Blair.

The foregoing genealogy of the Bandy family was furnished us by William Bandy, late Sheriff of the county. He was to secure and hand in further data, but died without having completed the work. When the history of Tazewell county is written, the public services of the two Bandy brothers, James and William, will have honorable mention therein.

## THE BARNS FAMILY.

### MOSS—BALDWIN—COPENHAVER.

“Robert Barns, the progenitor of all the people of that name in Tazewell county, was an Irishman by blood and birth. He was born about the middle of the eighteenth century and left the Emerald Isle when he was a mere youth. Tradition says his departure from the land of his birth was occasioned by an escapade in which he and several mischievous companions succeeded in breaking up an Irish Wake—in that day a very grievous offense with the peasantry of Ireland. The young Irish immigrant located for a brief while in Maryland after he came to America, and then moved to the present Rockbridge county, Virginia. From thence he came to the Clinch Valley. His occupation was that of schoolmaster, a class badly needed in that day in these regions. While engaged in teaching the boys and girls of the neighborhood he took advantage of the liberal settlers’ laws of Virginia and acquired what is now a splendid landed estate in the Cove, nearly all of which still remains in the possession of two of his great-grandsons, William O. and Joseph G. Barns.

Robert Barns came here about the time the Revolutionary War was drawing to a conclusion. His wife was Grace Brown, and there was a peculiarity in the structure of her hands that continues



to mark many of her descendants, even unto the fifth generation. Her fingers had no joints below the second, or middle joints. It is said that her father and brothers and sisters had hands similarly formed. There are known instances of father and mother with normal fingers and some of their children with stiff or straight fingers."—Pendleton's History of Tazewell County.

Robert and Grace Brown Barns had five children—viz: 1, Nancy, born 1783 in the present Tazewell County, who married John Goodwin, 1799. He was born 1770 in Bottetourt County, Virginia. They first resided in Tazewell County, but later moved to Kentucky. 2, Sallie, who married Hugh Wilson (children—Hugh Edward; Charles, who married Cosby Moore; Nancy, who married William B. Curran; and John, who died unmarried; 3, Margaret, who married Charles Young (see Young line); 4, William, of whom further; and 5, John, born October 5, 1791, who died May 18, 1863. He married Eliza A. Allen January 31, 1839. She was born September, 1805, died October 1, 1857. They were the parents of one son, William A., who was born May 27, 1841, died at a military camp in Tennessee December 13, 1863. Robert Barns died in 1802, and his will is one of the first recorded in the Will Books of Tazewell county. (See p. 271, Vol. 1, of these Annals.)

4. William Barns, son of Robert, born May 27, 1789; married Levicie Ward (daughter of John Ward, grand-daughter of David Ward, the pioneer), June 11, 1820. She was born February 6, 1800, died April 29, 1872.

"William Barns inherited a large share of his father's valuable estate. During his entire life, after reaching manhood, he was one of the most prominent citizens of the county, and he represented Tazewell county in the Virginia House of Delegates at the sessions of 1829 and 1830. He lived through the entire period of the War Between the States, and gave his earnest sympathy and support to the Confederate cause. Though too old to perform military service, he had three sons who served in the Confederate army. Clinton had the rank of captain; Oscar Barns was a lieutenant of Company "D," 23rd Virginia Battalion of Infantry, and John served as a private in said company. When the small Federal army, under command of General Burbridge, in December, 1864, was retreating after being beaten by the Confederates at the Salt Works, a party of stragglers went to the house of "Squire" Barns for the purpose of securing loot. One of the ruffians, without provocation, shot the



venerable man in the presence of his family. The wound was in the breast and was at first considered fatal, but the old gentleman recovered and remained active in mind and body for several years."

—Pendleton's History of Tazewell.

The ten children of William and Levice Barns are: 1, Robert; 2, Polly; 3, Nancy; 4, Clinton; 5, Oscar Fitzalen; 6, Amanda; 7, Rebecca; 8, Sallie; 9, Eliza B.; and 10, John.

1. Robert Barns (William, Robert), born April 11, 1821; married Ellen Jane Gibson July 3, 1862. Their eleven children: (a) Margaret Louisa, born September 22, 1863, died young; (b) William Alexander, born June 16, 1865, married Lenora Boyd June 30, 1903 (children: Robert, Joseph, John Alexander, Charles Otis, Carl Hurt, Frank Bundy, William Winston, and Sarah Ellen); (c) Samuel Clinton, born February 22, 1867, married Nannie H. Brown November 17, 1886 (children: Robert Orville, Lawrence Alexander, Sarah Ellen, who married a Mr. Fox, of Montgomery County, Va.; and Lula Zarilda, who married a Hendrick); (d) Sallie, born February 17, 1869, died young; (e) John Thompson, born July 3, 1870, served as Attorney for the Commonwealth for Tazewell County, and is now Assistant to Collector Internal Revenue of Virginia, married Margaret L. Barns (daughter of Clinton) November 25, 1891 (children: Sarah Gillespie, died young; Robert Henry, Margaret Ellen, William Clinton, Mollie Virginia, Albert Joseph, Francis Alexander, and Mamie Ida); (f) Oscar Blair, born November 3, 1872, married Carrie Tipton Alexander January 1, 1896 (children: Robert Frank Alexander, Janie Catherine, and Eleanor Blair); (g) Jennie Amanda, born November 7, 1873, died in infancy; (h) Robert Moses, born June 11, 1875, died in young manhood; (i) Nancy Ellen, born December 7, 1878, married Jefferson Orville Brown May 30, 1906 (children: Minnie Tipton, who died in infancy; Robert Orville, John Ward, Mary Ellen, George Walter, Jefferson Alexander, and Nannie Frances, who died young); (j) Mary Eliza, born January 24, 1881, married Dr. Melvin B. Crockett November 22, 1905, died June 15, 1907; and (k) Frances Johnson, born July 27, 1883, married William Rees Bowen October 3, 1904. (See Bowen line).

2. Polly Barns (William, Robert), born January 11, 1823, died April 5, 1905; married William T. Moore September 10, 1844. (See Moore Genealogy.)

3. Nancy Barns (William, Robert), born June 7, 1825, married James Harrison August 19, 1845. He was the son of James and Mary ("Polly") Gillespie Harrison. Their children: (a) Rebecca Virginia, born June 27, 1848, married Lysander S. Campbell July 30, 1867. He died March 22, 1893. Their children: William Henry and Nannie Montgomery, both deceased; (b) William Clinton Harrison, born May 27, 1850, married Fannie Lucretia Watlington December 18, 1873. Their children: Samuel Powell, who married Louise McCoy (children: Thomas, Samuel P., Jr., and Otis Campbell); Ola Virginia, who married Edward King (children: Kyle Grey, William, Frances and Virginia); William Clinton, Jr., Nancy Jane; and Cornelius Watlington (died young); (c) James DeMoss Harrison, who married Rosa Belle Higginbotham 1883, at Ogden, Utah. She was born at Tazewell, Va., 1860. Their children: Bertie Virginia, who married Sydney S. McNeil February 27, 1913 (children: Rebecca Virginia, Sydney Harrison, and Charles Byrom); Nancy B., who married Henry C. Peery (children: William Harrison, Virginia May, Margaret Ruth, Henry, Jr., and Nancy Louise); William Cecil, who married Mrs. Lula (Stafford) O'Brien 1913 (one daughter, Rosa Mildred); (d) Joseph Alexander Harrison; and (e) Mary Louisa Harrison, both died in infancy.

4. Clinton Barns (William, Robert), born October 29, 1827, married Sarah Jane Gillespie (daughter of Wm. M.) June 13, 1854, by Rev. David Young. Their children: (a) John David Barns (Clinton, William, Robert), born May 26, 1855, died February 7, 1925, married Mary Louise Taylor, December 19, 1882. Their children: Sarah Strother, who married Dale Carter, first husband, September 1904—one son, Stuart Barns. Sarah Strother married John Shelley Pechin, second husband, August 1910—one son, Richard Sheridan; Margaret Virginia, who married George Francis Rosenbaum, March, 1918—one son, George Barns; Susie Rebecca; Nancy Lucille, who married Werner Eugene Languth, August 23, 1922; Mallie, who died in infancy; Mary Taylor, who married James Wilson Buchanan April, 1915—two children, Ellen Taylor and David Wilson; Clinton Taylor, who married Marylide Elizabeth Buchanan February 15, 1922; and Lila Moore.

#### MOSS LINE.

(b) Sarah Malvina Barns (Clinton, William, Robert), born November 8, 1861, married Frank Moss February 23, 1881. Their



children: Clinton Joseph, who married Hattie Greever, September 5, 1906—one daughter, Mary; George H., who married Rebecca Virty, October 23, 1924; Margaret, who married William Jefferson Hoge (son of Meek), September 5, 1906—four children: Janie, Francis, Mallie Barns, and James; William Oscar, who married Elizabeth Peery, September 4, 1919—two children, William Edward and Margaret Frances; Sarah Barns, who married Dr. James Nelson Higginbotham, March 3, 1915—one daughter, Laura Barns; Lettie O., who married George H. Peery, June 11, 1919—one daughter Mildred; Marybell R., who married Henry Groseclose, April, 1922—one daughter, Josephine; and Ida, who married Roy Meek, March, 1917—three children: Catherine, Joseph, and Margaret Lockwood.

Frank Moss is the son of Sallie Mustard and Harden Moss, and grandson of John and Polly Perkins Moss. His mother's mother was a Miss Brown, sister of Grace Brown. His maternal grandfather was William Mustard. Children of Harden and Sallie Mustard Moss: 1, Joseph Moss, who married Lettie Vail—seven children: Sallie, who married James A. Greever; Shelby, who died young; Alverta, who was first wife of W. B. F. White; Robert S., who married Carrie Dunn; Mamie, who is second wife of W. B. F. White; Joseph, deceased, who married Ollette Harman; and Ollie Belle, who married Mike Cassel. 2, Virginia Moss, who married Gordon Saunders, first husband, and Rev. Isaac S. Harman, second husband, no children. 3, Rush Moss, who married Louisa Davis—nine children: Florence, who married Hiram Stowers; William, who married Virginia Sayers; Sallie May, who married Dr. James H. Moore; Tillie, who died young; Ben, who married Natalie Harvey; Annie, who married Jesse Peery; Lucy, who married ———; Maude, and Vint. 4, William Moss, died Young. 5, Sallie Moss, who married Rufus Thompson—three children: John, who married Clara Whitman; William and Telia, who married Dr. James Crockett. 6, Jerutia Moss, who married Stephen Rosenbaum—four children: George, who married Virginia Barns; Edward; Mallie, who married Joseph Peery; and Joseph, who married Theresa Greever. 7, Frank Moss (see above). 8, George Moss (twin to Frank), married Nannie Belle Brown—five children: William, who married Sarah Davis; Frank, who married Mamie Reynolds; Nannie Rose, who married Arthur Peery; Charles, who married Laura Ward; and Mary, who married Ballard Huff. 9, Elizabeth Moss,



married Thomas E. Howell—eight children: William, deceased; Lewis, Thomas, Gertrude, Park, Sallie Grace, Margaret, who married W. R. McAlister, and Mary, who married Charles B. Ryan.

(c) William Oscar Barns (Clinton, William, Robert), born June 10, 1859, married Ida Newberry (daughter of Harman and Mary McDonald Newberry) November 30, 1887, by Rev. M. W. Doggett. William O. Barns was educated at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va. He lives on one of his farms at the old home in Ward's Cove. He is largely interested in grazing and coal lands, and is one of the leading stock dealers in the county. They have one son, Clinton Newberry, who received his education at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and at Hampton Sydney College. He married Mary Byrd Taylor (daughter of Captain T. T. Taylor, of Broadford, Va., and grand-daughter of Governor James Sanders, Salt Works, Va.) November 10, 1915. They have four children: Mary Taylor, William Thomas, Virginia McDonald, and Susie Sanders.

(d) Clinton Joseph Barns (Clinton, William, Robert), born April 26, 1864; married Mrs. Jennie (Kendrick) Ratcliffe. He died in 1910, leaving no children.

(e) Robert Henry Barns (Clinton, William, Robert), born December 28, 1866, died April 16, 1887.

(f) Margaret Louisa Barns (Clinton, William, Robert), born October 21, 1868, married John Thompson Barns (son of Robert) November 25, 1891. Their children: Robert Henry, who married Josephine English—one son, John Walter; Margaret Ellen, who married J. W. Brewbaker—one daughter, Elizabeth Barns; William Clinton, Mallie Virginia, Albert Joseph, Francis Alexander, and Mamie Ida.

5. Oscar Fitzalen Barns (William, Robert), born October 29, 1829, died February 24, 1903, married Mary Virginia Gillespie (daughter of Wm. M.) May 20, 1869, by Rev. Patton J. Lockhart, at Richlands, Va. She was born January 21, 1848.

Their children: (a) Joseph Gillespie Barns, who married Elvina Chapman Strother, June 23, 1897, by Rev. N. F. Marshall, at Pearisburg, Va. Their children: Mary Strother, who died January 15, 1920, when twenty years of age, and Oscar Fitzalen.

(b) Amanda Barns (Oscar F., William, Robert), married Robie K. Sutherland, September 28, 1898, by Rev. E. F. Kahle. Their children: Oscar Francis Joseph, who died in infancy; Robie K., Jr., and Marvin.

(c) Olivia, and (d) William (Oscar F., William, Robert), both died young.

(e) Elizabeth Nancy (Oscar F., William, Robert), married William Luther Mustard September 3, 1902. Their children: Mary Matilda and Elizabeth.

6. Amanda Barns (William, Robert), born January 11, 1832, married Moses M. Higginbotham, March 9, 1854. He was born March 29, 1823, died November 27, 1889. She died February 8, 1880. No children.

7. Rebecca W. Barns (William, Robert), born January 27, 1834, died March 17, 1846.

#### BALDWIN LINE.

8. Sallie Barns (William, Robert), born October 10, 1836, died June 22, 1919; married Denison B. Baldwin February 16, 1858. Their children: (a) William G. Baldwin, who married Katherine English, first, and they had two children, William and Ernest. He married Janie Dinwiddie, second; no children. (b) Den. O. Baldwin, who married Mollie Burnes, first, and they had two children, May and Harry. He married Lillie Bohannon, second; no children. (c) Robert M. Baldwin, who married Lula Alexander (children: Frank, Hubert, Louise and Robert). (d) Moses Baldwin, died young. (e) Sallie Baldwin, who married W. J. Jenks (children: Virginia, Allie and Charlotte). (f) Kyle Baldwin, who married Charles Duy (children: Charles, Sallie and Virginia); (g) Virginia Baldwin, who married P. J. Kelly (children: Helen, William, and Paddy Ward). (h) Albert Baldwin, who married Lelia Crockett (children: Albert and William); and (i) Lyde Baldwin.

#### COPENHAVER LINE.

9. Eliza B. Barns (William, Robert), born January 21, 1839, died December 22, 1915; married A. Jackson Copenhaver, October 10, 1865. He was born March 23, 1841, died August 15, 1912. A Jackson Copenhaver was a private, from Smythe County, Va., in the War Between the States. He came to Tazewell County soon after he was discharged from the army. Their children: (a) Charles Copenhaver, born September 10, 1866, died March 1, 1902; married Naomi Elizabeth Whitman (daughter of Jas. P.) December 14, 1892. They had one son, William Andrew Peery, who married



Mary Willoughby Read of Alexandria, Va., December 22, 1924; Charles Copenhaver graduated in dentistry from University of Maryland in 1888.

(b) William Copenhaver, born February 18, 1871, died September 21, 1895.

(c) Robert Moses Copenhaver, born July 3, 1873, married Lucy Howe June 28, 1905. Their children: Eliza Katherine, Sallie Virginia, Lucy Haven, Robert Jackson, Rufus Pierce, Mary Howe, and Charles Clinton—the three sons have stiff fingers. Robert Moses Copenhaver is a farmer and grazier and resides at Dublin, Virginia.

(d) Rufus P. Copenhaver, born July 31, 1875, married India Moore (daughter of W. L. Moore) August 7, 1907. Their children: Virginia, John William, Margaret B., and Rufus P., Jr. Rufus P. Copenhaver received his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery from Southern Dental College (now Medical College of Virginia), Richmond, Va., in 1903. With the exception of one year at Bluefield, West Virginia, Dr. Copenhaver has been engaged in the practice of his profession at Tazewell Va. since his graduation. In 1924 he formed a partnership with Dr. Peyton Lee Rowlett under the firm name of Copenhaver & Rowlett. Dr. Copenhaver served one term (1924-25), as Mayor of Tazewell; is a director in the Farmers National Bank, Tazewell; Vice-President Frazier Pocahontas Coal Company; is member of the American Dental Association, Virginia State Dental Association, Mercer, Mingo and McDowell County Dental Association, and Southwest Virginia and East Tennessee Dental Association; is a member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M.; is chairman of the board of stewards and assistant superintendent of Sunday School of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Tazewell, Virginia.

(e) John Copenhaver, born 1877, married Lethia Witten (daughter of Dr. Rawley Witten) October 23, 1907. Their children: John Dresden and Martha Jane. John Copenhaver has been connected with the Baldwin-Felts Detective Agency for twenty years and is now acting assistant special agent for the Norfolk and Western Railway Co., located at Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. Copenhaver is actively engaged in civic affairs of Roanoke, and is a member of the Kazim Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Roanoke, Va.

(f) Henry Copenhaver, who married Ferne Spencer June 18, 1919. Their children: Henry Barns, Jack Spencer, and William



Pierce. Henry Copenhaver is a farmer and grazier, and lives at the old Copenhaver home place in Bowen's Cove.

(g) Luther Copenhaver, who married Octavia Wofford, November 4, 1914. Their children: Luther Lawrence, Torrey Wofford, Margaret Jane and Charles Andrew. Luther Copenhaver graduated with degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery from Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va., in 1911, and is now located at Johnson City, Tenn., in the practice of his profession.

10. John Barns (William, Robert), born June 7, 1841, died June 25, 1919; married Margaret "Peggy" Smith, June 20, 1872.

### THE BOWEN FAMILY.

The Bowens of Tazewell County, Virginia, trace their ancestry to Moses and Rebecca (Reese) Bowen, his wife, who immigrated to this country with a large company from Wales about 1698, and settled in Massachusetts, from whence they later removed to Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, where they spent the remainder of their days. A branch of this family came south at an early day, settling first in Delaware, then in western Maryland and northern Virginia.

John Bowen, son of Moses and Rebecca (Reese) Bowen, was a man of considerable wealth for that day. He married Lilly McIlhaney, whose family emigrated from Ireland, and they migrated to Augusta County, Virginia, about 1730, at that time a frontier settlement. They were the parents of twelve children: 1, Moses, who died at the age of twenty years while serving in the Virginia Colonial Army (Saffel Record). 2, John, who married Rachel Mathew (children: John, William, Rebecca, who married a Frazier; Nancy and Elizabeth). 3, Jane, who married first a Mr. Cunningham and second a Mr. Loring. She was the mother of two sons by her first husband and two daughters by her second husband. 4, Nancy, who married Archie Buchanan (they were the parents of one son, James, and eight daughters, whose names are not obtainable). 5, Rebecca, who married a Mr. Whitley (two children: Lily, who married a Robertson, and Moses). They went to England and Moses was an officer in the British Army. 6, Rees, of whom further. 7, Henry, who married Anne Cunningham. He served in the American army during the Revolutionary War. They had one daughter, Lily, who married a Mr. Smith. 8, Arthur, who

married Mary McMurry (children: Jane, John, Arthur, Nancy and Rebecca. Arthur married Catherine Poston and they had the following children: Sarah, Texie, Mary, Hamill, Richard, Robert, Virginia, William, Jerome, and Rees). 9, Robert, who married Mary Gillespie (their children: John, William, Lily, who married a Mr. McClure; Agnes, who married a Mr. Pickens; Mary, who married a Mr. Helm first and Ban second; Rees; Robert, who married Polly Reed; Rebecca, who married Captain Rees Bowen first and a Mr. Cowan second; and Charles, who married Malinda Early. 10, Mary, who married a Mr. Poston; 11, Charles, who married Nancy Gillespie. He served in the Revolutionary War (King's Mountain and Its Heroes, pp. 256, 262, 265, and Ramsey's Tennessee, pp. 240 and 241); and 12, William, of whom further.

6. Lieutenant Rees Bowen, son of John and Lilly (McIlhaney) Bowen, born about 1750, served in the Revolutionary War, there earning his title and rank. He was one of the first settlers of Tazewell county, Virginia, locating at Maiden Spring about 1772, where he owned a vast estate, which is still in the possession of his descendants, having been owned by a Rees Bowen for five generations. Lieutenant Rees Bowen was killed at the battle of King's Mountain October 7, 1780. He married Levisa Smith, 1768. She was born 1750, died February 16, 1834.

Rees Bowen was a man of forceful physique, and his fame as a contestant in the fashionable fist fighting bouts of the day had spread far and wide. It is related that Mr. Bowen and his wife went back on a visit to the old home in Rockbridge County, Va., riding horseback and taking their baby. While crossing a mountain they met a noted athlete, who confronted Mr. Bowen with a request for a fight, but he declined the challenge. The athlete called Mr. Bowen a coward, and thereupon Mrs. Bowen said: "Rees, give me the baby and get down and slap him in the face." Mr. Bowen handed his wife the baby and alighted from his horse. He gave his antagonist a severe shaking and slapped him in the face a few times, and the noted athlete hurriedly expressed his satisfaction and desired an immediate cessation of hostilities, which was granted by Mr. Bowen. They shook hands and parted, each going on his own way.

Lieutenant Rees Bowen and Levisa Bowen his wife, are said to have been the second white family to settle on the Clinch river in the present bounds of Tazewell County. They settled at Maiden



Spring in 1772. To protect their family from attacks by Indians in 1773, Mr. Bowen built a strong stockade around his house. From this beginning a larger and stronger fort was later erected near his home, which became the historical Maiden Spring Fort, into which the families of the surrounding neighbors gathered for safety from the frequent attacks by the Indians. (For a description of this splendid section, see Vol. 1 of these "Annals", pp. 356-7 and 387.) The Bowen farm has remained in the family to the present time, and is now owned by Rees Bowen the fifth.

It was perhaps about the year 1776 that the startling news reached the Bowens that the Ohio Indians were on the warpath, coming up Sandy River, murdering and scalping the inhabitants. This band of Indians was headed in the direction of Maiden Spring Fort, and it was only a matter of a few days until they would reach the fort. Mr. Bowen and his neighbors held a council of defense, in which it was decided to meet the pending attack and if possible give aid to others as well as to protect the Maiden Spring Fort. Not a man was left to protect the women and children in the fort, so sure were the men that they would meet the Indians several miles north of this point. But to their consternation the Indians slipped by the white men and headed rapidly in the direction of the fort. With all possible speed Bowen and his party hastened back to the fort, fearing that they would find the women and children murdered and scalped. To their great relief and joy, they found their loved ones alive and unharmed. The lives of all in the fort had been saved by the strategy and nerve of one little woman. That woman was Levisa, the wife of Rees Bowen.

After the men had departed from the fort to meet the Indians, late on an afternoon at milking time, Mrs. Bowen, who was diminutive in physical stature, but possessed a keen and resourceful brain and courage developed in the hardships of pioneer life, started along the foothills of "Short Mountain" to drive home the cows. While passing over some marshy ground she discovered fresh moccasined footprints of Indians. She did not scream or faint as many modern women, reared in idleness, luxury and ease, would have done, but she continued on her way and brought the cows to the "milk gap". She informed the women of the fort that they must all dress in men's attire and take their turns in marching around the outside of the palisade all night to deter the Indians from their contemplated attack. To her surprise, not one consented to thus expose



herself. The only one over whom she had authority was a large negro woman whom she dressed in Mr. Bowen's clothes, while she herself put on her son's clothes. She shouldered the only gun left in the fort and had the negro woman to shoulder a large stick which looked like a gun. Armed with these implements of war, they marched around the palisade all night. When the negro woman showed signs of fear and began to falter, Mrs. Bowen would threaten to shoot her. This threat stimulated her colored companion in arms throughout the night. This military march terrorized the Indians and thus prevented what would otherwise have been a massacre of all the women and children in Maiden Spring Fort, for on the day following the military display of Mrs. Bowen and her colored lieutenant, remains of the camp fire of the Indians were found on the side of Short Mountain overlooking the fort.

A large measure of whatever courage and bravery is possessed by her descendants, despite the ease and luxury in which they have been reared, may be attributed to the heritage left them by this brave little woman. She was not as careful to conform to styles as some of her worthy female descendants perhaps, for she refused to wear a bonnet, which was then the prevailing style of the women of her "set", but insisted upon wearing a felt hat, and dressed otherwise as her comfort dictated.

Lieutenant Rees Bowen and Levisa Smith Bowen were the parents of eight children: Rees, who married his cousin, Rebecca Bowen; no children. Nancy, who married Major John Ward (son of David Ward). They left a large family. Peggy, who married Thomas Gillespie (see Gillespie line). Rebecca, who married a Mr. Duff. Lilly, who married a Mr. Hildreth and removed to Kentucky, where many of their descendants are residing at the present time. Louise, who married William Thompson and left a large family. Many of their descendants reside in Tazewell County, Va., at the present time. John, who married Nancy Gillespie in 1784. They had one daughter, Levisa, who married Rees B. Gillespie in 1802 (see Gillespie line); and Henry, of whom further.

Colonel Henry Bowen, oldest son of Capt. Rees and Levisa Smith Bowen, born March 18, 1770, died April 18, 1850, was an officer of a Virginia regiment during the second war with Great Britain, 1812-1814, and also served his State in the Legislature. He took a prominent part in the early history of Tazewell county, having

been appointed by the Governor of Virginia as a member of the first county court, which position he filled for several years. He was a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, sessions December 5, 1803—February 3, 1804; December 3, 1804—February 1, 1805; and December 6-1841—March 26, 1842. He was Sheriff of Tazewell county for the years 1806-7-8, and was Colonel of the Second Battalion, 112th Regiment, in the War of 1812. He married Eleanor Stuart Tate, niece of General William Campbell, August 3, 1797. She was born May 5, 1778, died October, 1838; and they were the parents of five children: 1, Ellen, who married a Mr. Taylor; 2, Jane, who married Captain Edmundson; 3, Louisa, who married Dr. John W. Johnston, a brother of General Joseph E. Johnston, of the Confederate Army. They had one son, Judge John W. Johnson, Jr., who was United States Senator from Virginia. He married Nickati Floyd, daughter of Governor John Floyd and brother of Governor John B. Floyd. They were the parents of five children: Dr. George Benjamin Johnston, expresident of the American Surgical Association; Joseph E. Johnston; Lavalette Johnston, who married a Mr. McMullin; Sallie Johnston, who married Captain Henry Lee, brother of General Fitzhugh Lee; and William Johnston. 4, Henry Bowen, who gained the title of Colonel, married a Miss Black, of Montgomery County, Va., no children; and 5, Rees Tate Bowen, of whom further.

5. General Rees Tate Bowen, son of Colonel Henry and Eleanor (Tate) Bowen, born January 10, 1809, died August 29, 1879, was one of the most distinguished members of this family. He served his State as a member of the Virginia House of Delegates and as Congressman from the Ninth District of Virginia. He served in the Mexican War and in the War Between the States, obtaining the rank of General of Militia. He owned and operated an extensive stock farm in Tazewell County, Va., and was a man of great influence in that section of the State. He married Maria Louisa Peery, first wife (daughter of Col. Thomas Peery), January 13, 1835. She was born August 24, 1819, died April 1, 1853. They were the parents of eight children: 1, Ellen Stuart, born December 24, 1835; married William L. Watkins October 9, 1855 (two children, Mary Louisa and Ellen S.). 2, Thomas Peery, of whom further. 3, Henry, of whom further. 4, Rees Tate, of whom further. 5, Edward, who served in the Confederate Army—died unmarried. 6, Hattie, who married John G. Watts (children:



Louise, Edward Peery, William Mahone—all three died young, and Rees Bowen Watts, who married Mamie Redd April 30, 1902, and they have two daughters, Hattie Louise and Katherine. 7, Jane Bowen, who became the wife of Alexander Greever—No children; and 8, Mariah Louisa, who became the wife of Jerome P. Kroll.

Major Thomas Peery Bowen was the eldest of the four gallant sons of General Rees T. Bowen who served in the Confederate Army as members of the "Tazewell Troopers". He was mustered into service in May, 1861, his company being designated as Company "H," of the 8th Virginia Regiment of Cavalry. In the fall of 1861 he became captain of the company, and early in 1863 was promoted to major of the regiment for gallantry in action. Major Bowen was severely wounded in battle, but remained in active service until the surrender at Appomattox. He was born at Maiden Spring August 2, 1838, and died October 6, 1911. He married Augusta Stuart, of Lewisburg, West Virginia, June 26, 1866, and they were the parents of five children: Lucy who died in childhood; Rees Tate, who married Lena Alexander Walker April 30, 1901. He entered the service of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company as flagman on construction train, in 1890, and because of his efficiency and fidelity to every trust he has risen to the present position of past chief conductor in the passenger service of the same company. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner; resides at Bluefield, West Virginia; (children: Sara Augusta, Louise Stuart, Margaret Walker, Rees Tate, Jr., George Harvison and Lenabelle); Jennie Mary, who married William G. O'Brien February 20, 1895; Ellen Stuart, who was educated at Stonewall Jackson Institute, Abingdon, Va., and University of Virginia Summer Schools. She was a teacher in Tazewell county public schools until 1922; taught one session in Pittsylvania County, Va., 1922-1923. In June, 1923, she was elected assistant to the pastor of the Presbyterian church at Tazewell, Virginia, which position she most ably fills; and Stuart, who died June 6, 1908.

Captain Henry Bowen, second son of General Rees Tate Bowen, was born at Maiden Spring, Tazewell County, Virginia, December 26, 1841. He received a collegiate education. He entered the Confederate army in 1861; served continuously most of the time as Captain of a company of cavalry in Payne's Brigade, Lees's Division, Army of Northern Virginia, until December 21, 1864, when he was



captured in a night attack by Sheridan's cavalry at Lacy Springs, Virginia. When released from Fort Delaware June 19, 1865, he returned to Virginia and engaged in farming and grazing. In 1869, he was elected to the Virginia Legislature and re-elected in 1871. In 1882 was elected to Congress as a Readjuster, and was elected to the Fiftieth Congress as a Republican, receiving 13,497 votes against 9,927 votes for R. R. Henry, Democrat. He married Louisa M. Gillespie (daughter of William M.) December 4, 1871, and they were the parents of six children: (1) Dr. Margaret Ellen Bowen, who received her education at Wesleyan Institute, Staunton, Va. She was the first woman from the State of Virginia to study Osteopathy. She received her degree of Doctor of Osteopathy from the American School of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Missouri, in 1908. She has the distinction of being the first Osteopath to pass the Virginia Medical examination. Dr. Bowen was Secretary of the Virginia Osteopathic Association from 1909 to 1912; President of same from 1922 to 1924. With the exception of four years spent in Tazewell County in the practice of her profession, Dr. Bowen has been located in Richmond, Virginia, since her graduation. (2) James Walker Bowen, who married Azeele Curtis (daughter of Geo. Washington and Dora Davis Lewis Curtis) February 6, 1918. They have one daughter, Margaret Louisa. James Walker Bowen was educated at Hampden-Sidney College and Washington and Lee University, from which university he received his LL. B. degree in 19—. He is a prominent farmer and grazier of Tazewell County. (3) William Rees Bowen, who married Frances Johnson Barns (daughter of Robert and Ellen Gibson Barns) October 3, 1904. Their children: Robert Henry, Mary Olivia, Louise, William Rees, Jr., Francis, Ellen Gibson, and Courtney Cox. William Rees Bowen was educated at Hampden-Sidney College. He is a farmer, stock dealer and one of the leading business men of the county. (4) Henry Albert Bowen married Mary E. Bowen (daughter of Rees T. and Mary Crockett Bowen) June 16, 1909. He was educated at Emory and Henry College and Richmond College, from which school he received his degree of Bachelor of Law June, 1908. He was admitted to practice law at Tazewell, 1908. (Children: Mary Louisa, who died in infancy; Henry, Mary Crockett, Samuel Cecil, William Joseph, and Margaret Louisa. (5) Lou Ollie Bowen, who died in childhood; and (6) Joseph Clinton Bowen, who married Courtney Cox, of Farmville, Va., first wife, June 10, 1913;

and Ruth Davis second wife, daughter of Wm. Leon and Dora Frances Keister Davis, of Burke's Garden, Va., June 10, 1925. Joseph Clinton Bowen was educated at Emory and Henry College and Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va., and is a farmer and grazier.

Upon his retirement from Congress, Captain Henry Bowen returned to the vocation of his pioneer ancestors, that of grazier and farmer, which noble calling he followed until his death, which occurred on the 29th of April, 1915. As evidence of the esteem in which he was held, the following telegram was received by his widow from Governor Henry C. Stuart, Richmond, Virginia:

"I am greatly distressed by the sad tidings of the grievous blow that has fallen upon you. The loss is not yours alone; the State has lost a son in whose life and character were exemplified in high degree the qualities of honor, courage and patriotism, which for five generations characterized and distinguished the name he bore; a gallant soldier, an upright citizen, honorable in all relations, he worthily typified the race of men whose swords drove out the Indian and the alien, and whose good right arm carved from a wilderness the paradise of the mountains. Please know that my sympathy goes out to you and yours in this dark hour of affliction."

Rees Bowen, born July 22, 1843, died April 24, 1845.

On February 7, 1845, a son was born to General Rees Tate and Louisa Bowen, whom they named John. After the death of their son Rees, April 1845, they changed this child's name to Rees Tate, as they were anxious that the name should be kept up in the family.

Rees Tate Bowen, son of Gen. Rees Tate and Louisa (Peery) Bowen, was born on the old Bowen homestead, in Tazewell County, Virginia, February 7, 1845; died May 3, 1917. He was a prosperous stock farmer of that famous "Blue Grass" region. He entered the Confederate army at the age of sixteen years, was twice wounded, once in the side and once in the head. He married Mary A., youngest daughter of Hon. Thompson and Rachel Cecil Crockett, of Wythe County, Virginia, December 24, 1872. She was born February 19, 1852, and is now living at Tazewell, Virginia. Their children: Sallie Louise Bowen, who married Samuel J. Thompson April 15, 1891. They have two sons, Harry Lee, who married Irene Ward November 11, 1913 (their children: Louise Cecil, Anne Floyd, and Harry Lee); and Rees Bowen, who married Mary Preston June 27, 1919 (their children: Rees Bowen,



Jr., Martha Josephine, and Henry Preston). Samuel J. Thompson owns and operates several large farms; is one of the most extensive graziers of the county. He is a director of the Tazewell National Bank. On account of his ability and the high esteem in which he is held in his part of the state, he was elected to the Virginia Senate, November, 1923, without opposition.

Henry Smith Bowen (son of Rees Tate), married May Mustard (daughter of Hon. William Gratton and Ella McDonald Mustard) December 2, 1896. He died August 15, 1918. Henry S. Bowen was a director of the Clinch Valley Bank, Tazewell, Va.; was a farmer and grazer. He dispensed a whole hearted hospitality in his home, and responded liberally to all charitable calls. He was numbered among our most progressive citizens; was a leader in politics and active in all public affairs of the county. In 1911, when the good roads movement was inaugurated in the county, no man rendered more effective service than did Mr. Bowen. Their Children: Gratton Mustard, who married Harriet Scott (daughter of W. A. and Lucy Buston Scott) September 6, 1922, and they have one son, Gratton Mustard, Jr.; Mary Ellen, Rees Tate, Louise McDonald, and Henry Smith, Jr.

Thompson Crockett Bowen (son of Rees Tate), married Jane Anne Hoge (daughter of Meek and Mariah Higginbotham Hoge) June 8, 1904. Mr. Bowen attended Hampden-Sidney College and then entered Washington and Lee University, where he received his Bachelor of Law degree June, 1897, when he was twenty years of age. On account of not having reached his majority he had to wait a year before he could take the State Bar examination. Was admitted to practice law at the September, 1898, term of court of Tazewell county. Mr. Bowen was elected Attorney for the Commonwealth November, 1903. In September, 1918, he became the junior member of the firm of Graham & Bowen. He owns several farms and deals extensively in cattle raising and live stock. Their children: Meek Hoge, Mariah Cecil, Rees T., and T. Crockett, Jr.

Rees Tate Bowen, Jr. (son of Rees Tate), married Mary Cecil Ward (daughter of Geo. and Annie Mosely Ward) September 12, 1912. Rees Tate Bowen owns the old Bowen homestead near Maiden Spring, in Bowen's Cove. He is the fifth generation of Rees T. Bowens to own this property. He received his education at Emory and Henry College, King College and Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Mr. Bowen is one of the large land owners of



Tazewell County, and is a farmer, grazier and live stock dealer. Their children, Annie Moseley and Rees Tate, Jr.

Dr. Samuel Cecil Bowen (son of Rees Tate) was born at the old homestead in Tazewell County, Virginia, May 15, 1881. He was from the age of eight years taught privately at home by a tutor, preparing in that manner for college. He entered Hampden-Sidney College in 1898, where he remained for two years, winning the prize scholarship in 1899. He attended the Ohio State University, session 1900-1901, entered Medical College of Virginia in the fall of 1901, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in the class of 1905, taking high honors, and during his senior year was president of the student body. Immediately after his graduation he became resident physician at the Memorial Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, continuing there eighteen months. He was then associated in practice with Dr. George Ben Johnston, surgeon, and later spent three years at the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, New York City, where he served in the capacity of house surgeon. He then returned to Richmond, and in association with Dr. R. H. Wright began the special practice of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He was instructor of Ophthalmology and Otology at the Medical College of Virginia, 1912-1913, and after the amalgamation of the University College of Medicine with the Medical College of Virginia was associate professor of Laryngology. He was a member of the American College of Surgeons, the Tri-State Medical Society, the Medical Society of Virginia, the Richmond Academy of Medicine, Tazewell County Medical Society, Kappa Sigma and Pi Mu fraternities. Very soon after he commenced the practice of medicine he aroused the attention of eminent men of the profession, as a skillful and successful operator, and previous to his death, which occurred December 20, 1918, won a Statewide reputation as a specialist.

Jennie McDonald Bowen (daughter of Rees Tate) married J. Powell Royall June 12, 1905. Their children: Mary Christian, Rachel Louise, John Powell, Jr., Janie Bowen, Rees Bowen, William Archer, Samuel Cecil, Ellen McDonald, and Edwin Gratton "Dick".

Honorable John Powell Royall, born in Danville, Virginia, June 2, 1874, was a son of William Archer and Eliza J. Christian Royall, and a grandson of Joseph Royall. When but ten years old John Powell Royall was left an orphan, but was adopted by Honor-

able William G. Mustard, who at that time represented Tazewell County in the Virginia House of Delegates. Mr. Royall was educated in the public schools of Tazewell; later attended Sharon College in Bland County and Tazewell College, at Tazewell, Va. In 1898 he entered the Law Department of Washington and Lee University and was admitted to the Tazewell Bar the following year. Soon thereafter he was elected Mayor of the town of Tazewell, and after serving as such for two years was re-elected for the second term. Before he finished his second term as Mayor, in 1903, he was elected to represent the counties of Tazewell and Buchanan in the Virginia House of Delegates, in which he served during the sessions 1904 and 1906. He was twice elected to represent the Third Senatorial District, composed of the counties of Tazewell, Buchanan, Dickenson, and Russell, and served in the Virginia Senate from 1912 to 1920. In 1923 he was elected Commonwealth's Attorney for Tazewell County for a term of four years. Mr. Royall not only enjoys a lucrative law practice, but is closely identified with the financial and industrial interests of the county. He is a director in the Garden Coal Company, a mining operation of Tazewell, Virginia, and vice-president of Coal Mountain Mining Company, which company owns lands in Tazewell and Buchanan counties, and is a stockholder in Bluefield National Bank, and has other financial interests. Instead of faltering before the formidable adverse conditions which confronted him in his early boyhood, he used these apparent obstacles as stepping stones to reach the goal of his ambition.

Rachel Bowen (daughter of Rees Tate) married Samuel B. Thompson (son of Grey Buchanan and William Thompson) October 29, 1918. They have one daughter, Mary Gray. Samuel B. Thompson is a large landowner and one of the leading farmers and cattle graziers of Tazewell county.

Mary Ellen Bowen (daughter of Rees Tate) married Henry Albert Bowen (son of Henry and Louisa Gillespie Bowen) June 16, 1909. (See his line).

Hattie Bowen (daughter of Rees Tate) died June 24, 1890, when two years of age.

General Rees Tate Bowen (son of Col. Henry Bowen) married Lucy Gravatt, of Port Royal, Virginia (second wife) about 1872. They had two children: Rees Tate, who died in infancy, and Mary Cary, who married George Turner, of Port Royall, Virginia. They



have three children: George, Jr., who died in infancy, Jacqueline and Rees Bowen. General Rees Bowen died in 1879.

Captain William Bowen, son of John and Lilly (McIlhaney) Bowen, gained his title by service in the Revolutionary War. He married Mary Henley Russell, daughter of General William Russell, by his first wife, Tabitha (Adams) Russell, his second wife having been the widow of General William Campbell, the hero of King's Mountain, and before her marriage was Elizabeth Henry, sister of Patrick Henry. Their children: Colonel John H. Bowen, who was a noted lawyer and representative in Congress from Tennessee for several years, and Catherine Bowen, who married David Campbell, brother of Governor Campbell, of Virginia. Their son, William Bowen Campbell, was elected Governor of Tennessee, serving from 1851 to 1853.

#### THE CHAPMAN FAMILY.

The Revolutionary ancestor of this family was John Chapman, and the following is taken from a paper read by Mrs. Conrad F. Tynes before the John Chapman Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, of Bluefield, West Virginia. This Chapter was named by Mrs. Kate English Baldwin, the founder, whose father, Colonel James English, married Annie Chapman, the great-granddaughter of the Revolutionary hero, John Chapman:

"The Chapmans, who were of English origin, immigrated to America and settled in Connecticut long prior to the Revolutionary War. From there they moved to Charles County, Maryland. Leaving Maryland before the beginning of the revolution, a part of them came to Culpepper County, Virginia. Isaac Chapman was among this number, and there he married Sarah Cole, by whom he had three sons and one daughter, namely, Isaac, John, Richard and Jemina. Isaac went south and located in Alabama, where his descendants are now living. John and Richard married sisters, Sallie and Margaret Abbott, daughters of Richard Abbott, of Culpepper County. Their brother, Rev. James Abbott, a Baptist minister, located in the new River section in 1774. The only daughter of Isaac and Sarah Chapman, Jemina, married Moredock McKenzie, a Scotchman from Glasgow. The story of the capture of their two children, Margaret and Elizabeth, and the killing of Mrs. McKenzie and the three children by the Indians in May, 1778, is a very thrilling one.



"John and Richard Chapman and their brother-in-law, Moredock McKenzie, came from Culpeper in 1771 and located at the mouth of Walkers Creek in what is now Giles County, Va. John had two houses destroyed by the Indians, his wife and children, Isaac, George, John, Henley and Sallie, having to flee to Snidows' Fort for protection. The last house built by John Chapman is still standing, being encased in the frame dwelling now occupied by Isaac Painter, a descendant.

"I find in Thwaite's 'Dunsmore's War,' that Col. Preston received notice from Col. Lewis that Lord Dunsmore wished him to organize a force of men to go on the Ohio expedition in 1774 and try to quell the Indians who were doing much damage in that section. Col. Preston wrote Thomas Burke, who had a fort near the mouth of Sinking Creek, three miles from the home of John Chapman, to send him a list of brave, strong bodied men for this expedition. In a list of thirty-five names, there appear the names of John and Richard Chapman and Moredock McKenzie. So it is reasonable to suppose that John Chapman took part in the Battle of Point Pleasant.

"During the years 1774-1779, John Chapman and his son, Isaac, were stationed in Snidow's, Bargers's and Hatfield's forts. John Chapman was appointed ensign under Captain Floyd, his first service being from April to October, 1779, and his second service being from March to June, 1780. He was recommended for lieutenant November, 1780.

"John Chapman was born in 1740 and died in 1805. He is buried in the old Chapman burial ground, near the old homestead. Though his grave is unmarked, the plot has been enclosed with a concrete wall, the exact location of his grave is known, and in the near future a Revolutionary marker will be erected at his grave by the John Chapman Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution."

This John Chapman was the great-great uncle of the late Isaac E. Chapman, and was also the great-grandfather of the late Joseph S. and Albert P. Gillespie.

Isaac E. Chapman was the son of William and Nancy McDonald Chapman, and was born on August 29, 1824, in Pearisburg, Giles County, Va. He came to Tazewell County when quite a young man, and was Deputy Clerk under George W. G. Browne for a number of years, and after that was a merchant in Tazewell

for many years. He was married on the 8th day of January, 1850, by the Rev. George W. G. Browne to Eliza Jane Gillespie, daughter of Reese B. and Mary Ann Gillespie.

Isaac E. Chapman died at Tazewell on May 1, 1905, and his wife survived him for several years, and died on March 25, 1915.

Of this union there were born the following children:

1. Mary Louisa, born July 26, 1853, who married the late Henry C. Alderson, a native of Russell County, Virginia, September 28, 1871, by Rev. Haynes, Methodist) and Rev. Jonathan Lyons (Presbyterian), at Tazewell.

Colonel Alderson was born at Lebanon, Va., October 25, 1847. died at Tazewell, November 9, 1912.

In 1883, when the writer informed Col. Alderson that he had decided to be a lawyer and that he had read the Code of Virginia, a number of the Acts of Assembly and Mayo's Guide at his home in Baptist Valley, Col. Alderson invited him to occupy a corner in his office and use the books in his library, which invitation was gladly accepted. Under the direction of this splendid teacher, he read Tucker's Commentaries and some works on Criminal law and passed the law examination and was admitted to the bar June, 1883. Whatever measure of success he has achieved in the practice of law, the writer owes it largely to the kindness and help received from Colonel Alderson, who gave his services as guide and teacher.

Col. Alderson was a born lawyer and a most public-spirited citizen. He was the first to welcome the stranger, visit the sick and help the needy. His death was a loss to the community, and many remember him as the writer does, with an affection which cannot be expressed.

Their children: (a) Chapman Alderson, born November 6, 1872, died July 30, 1924. He married Dora Johnson of Salem, Va., June 13, 1896. Their children: Leola, born April 29, 1898, married John L. Baber, Jr., of Lynchburg, January, 1924; and Sallie Ellen, born September, 1916. Mrs. Alderson is living in New York City.

(b) Leola Alderson, born May 19, 1875, at Tazewell, married Vinton L. Sexton, a native of Smythe county, Va., April 23, 1895. He is a member of the law firm of Sexton and Roberts, Bluefield, Virginia. Their children: Henry Alderson, born May 19, 1897, married Margaret Lammers, June, 1921 (one child, Margaret); Thomas Kennerly, born July 22, 1899, married Nell Estis (one



child, Thomas Kennerly, Jr.); Vincent Legrand, born March 21, 1902; Mamie Louise, born June 11, 1904; Nancy Elizabeth, born May 5, 1907; William Chapman, born December 3, 1912; and Catherine Freelove, born July 12, 1915.

(c) William Henry Alderson, born October 17, 1876, at Tazewell, Va., died September 20, 1908, unmarried.

2. John William Chapman, (of Isaac E.) was born April 26, 1856. He graduated at Emory and Henry College. He is a lawyer and a prominent member of the Tazewell Bar. He served two terms as Commonwealth's Attorney for Tazewell County, and was a law partner of the late A. P. Gillespie, under the firm name of Chapman & Gillespie. He married Lavalette Higginbotham, daughter of Rees Higginbotham, June 17, 1891. She died May 21, 1907. They had only one child, Ned, who died young. Mr. Chapman married Mrs. Nannie Rose (Chanceaulme) Walker, widow of the late Rives Walker, Feb. 23, 1910. Mr. Chapman maintains a home in Tazewell, Va., and also a home in Winter Haven, Fla.

3. Rees Cecil Chapman, (of Isaac E.), born February 14, 1860. Now, and for many years a merchant in the town of Tazewell, and President of Farmers National Bank at that place. He was married on 28th day of January, 1892 to Bird May, daughter of the late Col. A. J. May. She died August 31, 1894. There was one son born to this marriage, William Bird May Chapman, who married Ella Johnson, daughter of James N. and Nancy Gillespie Johnson, June 14, 1923. He is now engaged in the mercantile business with his father. They have one daughter, Alice McDonald.

4. Nannie Emerine Chapman (of Isaac E.) was born June 21, 1864. She married A. B. Buchanan, November 12, 1884, who for many years was a merchant at Tazewell, and was Postmaster there under the Wilson administration. They had four children, one of whom died in infancy, and the three living are: (a) Allie Gray, who married J. M. Moorner, a lawyer at Walterboro, S. C. (child, Nancy McDonald). (b) Archibald C., who married Ollie McCall, daughter of H. G. and Sallie Harrison McCall, December 18, 1915. He is a lawyer practicing at Tazewell, a partner with J. W. Chapman and George C. Peery, composing the firm of Chapman, Peery & Buchanan. Mr. Buchanan received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Hampden Sidney College, 1910, and his Bachelor of Law degree from Washington and Lee University, 1914, and was admitted to the Bar in the same year. They have two children: Sarah



Elizabeth and A. C., Jr.; and (c) I. Chanceaulme, who married Mary Hardin (first), January 29, 1920. They had one daughter, Mary McDonald. After his wife's death, he married Edna Reid and they are now living in the city of Washington.

5. Alice McDonald Chapman (of Isaac E.), born September 28, 1866, married Col. J. B. Boyer, March 1, 1893. They have no children.

Colonel Boyer was born in Wythe County, Va., July 14, 1862. In young manhood he engaged in the mercantile business at Baltimore until 1904, when he located at Tazewell and engaged in the mercantile business there. In 1912, he was appointed a Colonel on Governor William H. Mann's Staff. In 1913, he bought a farm in Maryland but sold same and returned to Tazewell in 1917. During the World War, Colonel Boyer was Director of War Saving Stamps campaign for the county of Tazewell, which campaign was a great success. In 1922, he was appointed Clerk of Tazewell County School Board, and also the first Judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court for the county, both of which positions he is still filling to the satisfaction of the citizens. In 1925, he was elected Mayor of the town of Tazewell.

### COULLING FAMILY.

James Duval Coulling, born May 20, 1812; died November 28, 1866; was a minister of the Methodist Church South, and at the time of his death was President of the Wesleyan Female College, at Murfreesboro, North Carolina, which College was under the control of the Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church, South. James Duval Coulling's first wife was a Miss Armistead of Hampton, Virginia. Louisa Todd Coulling was the only surviving child born of this union.

Louisa Todd Coulling was a graduate of Petersburg College, and took post-graduate work at Wesleyan Female College whilst her father was President of that school. Miss Coulling taught school a short while at Sweetwater, Tennessee; at the Methodist College at Asheville, North Carolina; Sullins College; and at Martha Washington College. With these exceptions, she was actively engaged in the building up of the education of Tazewell County until about a year before her death, which occurred June 13, 1917. Her father married Mary Selina Baxter, daughter of

Sidney S. Baxter, for his second wife. Mary Selina Baxter was born August 29, 1836; died February 17, 1871. For extended account of Mrs. Coulling's valuable contribution to the education of Tazewell County, after the War Between the States, see elsewhere in this volume. Sidney M. B. Coulling was the only surviving child born of the union of James Duval Coulling and Mary Selina Baxter.

Sidney Mathias Baxter Coulling, born at Charlottesville, Virginia, February 22, 1860. He came to Tazewell when seven years old, was educated at Tazewell and Marion High Schools; taught school at Rye Valley, Smyth County, and with his aunt, Mrs. M. B. Spotts, at Witten's Mills, Tazewell County, and taught school at Grundy, Virginia. Was licensed to practice law by Judges John H. Fulton and John A. Kelly in 1881; commenced the practice of law in Buchanan and Dickenson Counties, Virginia. Returned to Tazewell and was Clerk of the office of the Southwest Virginia Improvement Company and associate editor of the *Pocahontas Outlook*; returned to the practice of law and located at Graham, Virginia; was Judge of Tazewell County from 1886 to 1892; is now a practicing attorney of Tazewell. He married Lina Pauline Watts, daughter of Joseph Granbery and Martha Ann Early Watts, on October 31, 1888. Their children:

(1) Sidney Mathias Baxter Coulling, Jr., born at Tazewell, Virginia, July 18, 1890; graduated at Tazewell High School 1905; at Hampden Sidney College, 1912, where he took the Orator's and Debater's medal; and graduated with degree of LL. B. at Washington and Lee University, 1916 taking the highest honors in his class. He began the practice of law in Wyoming County, West Virginia, in the law firm of Bailey & Coulling. Upon the election of Judge Bailey as Prosecuting Attorney of that county, he was appointed Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. He died on October 4, 1918. Private Second Recruiting Company, Fort Slocum, New York. Sidney Coulling Post American Legion was named for him. See sketch in West Virginia Bar Annual by J. N. Harman, Jr.

(2) Louis Roberdeau Coulling, who married Eva Waugh Steger, daughter of Mrs. S. B. Steger, on September 29, 1920. They have two children: Louis R., Jr. and Sidney M. Baxter. Louis R. Coulling graduated at Tazewell High School and attended V. P. I.; entered the service of the World War as a private April 22, 1918.



at Camp Lee; commissioned Second Lieutenant August 26, 1918, at Camp Gordon; discharged December 5, 1918, at Camp Sherman.

(3) Martha Drake and Mary Selina Coulling (twins).

James Duval Coulling was the son of James M. and Mary Duval Coulling, of Richmond, Va. James M. Coulling was the son of James Coulling, who was the son of David Coulling, of London, England.

Sidney S. Baxter was the son of George A. Baxter, who was the son of George Baxter, of Rockingham County, Virginia. George Baxter was a Revolutionary soldier—Footes Sketches of Virginia, Second Series, p. 262. The mother of Sidney S. Baxter was Annie Fleming, daughter of Colonel William Fleming, of Botetourt County—Footes Sketches of Virginia, Second Series, P. 268. William Fleming was County Lieutenant of Botetourt during the Revolutionary War and also served in the Privy Counsel—Dunsmore's War, p. 428, Thwaites and Kellog "Frontier Defense on the Upper Ohio" and "Revolution on the Upper Ohio"—Hennings Statutes at Large, Vol. 10, p. 567. Sidney S. Baxter married Anna Boucher Nickolls, the daughter of Selina Roberdeau and Scudamore Nickolls. Selina Roberdeau was the daughter of General Daniel Roberdeau, of Philadelphia, a Revolutionary soldier—"Genealogy Roberdeau Family".

### CROCKETT FAMILY.

Gabriel Gustave Crocketagni, the ancestor of the Crocketts of Tazewell County, lived near Montauban, in the south of France. He married about 1642.

Antoine Dessaure Perronnett De Crocketagni (of Gabriel Gustave), was born July 10, 1643, near Montauban. At the age of twenty-one, in 1664, he received a commission in the household troops of Louis XIV. He married Louise Dessaix, in 1669, and was later converted to protestantism by the preaching of James Fontaine. By reason of his conversion he was banished by Louis XIV and fled to Ireland in 1667, where he changed his name to Crockett after the births of his first children. He left seven children, viz: Gabriel Gustave, born near Bordeaux, France, October 12, 1672; James, born near Bordeaux, November 20, 1674, married Martha Montgomery, a daughter of Thomas Montgomery, a sailor in the English Navy; Joseph Louis, born near Bordeaux, January 9, 1676,



married Sarah Stewart, of Donegal, and was the ancestor of Davy Crockett, who was killed at the Alamo; Robert Watkins, of whom further; Louise Desaix, born March 16, 1680, in Kenmore Parish, Ireland; Mary Frances, born September 20, 1683, in Kenmore Parish; and Sarah Elizabeth, born April 13, 1685, in Kenmore Parish.

Robert Watkins Crockett (of Antoine Dessaure Perronnett, of Gabriel Gustave), born July 18, 1678, in Kenmore Parish, Ireland, and was married to Rachel Watkins. He left five children, viz: Rachel Elizabeth, born May 1, 1703; Hannah Watkins, born June 20, 1705; Alexander; Robert, born 1707, in Ireland, died 1744 in Augusta County, Virginia; and John, of whom further.

John Crockett (of Robert Watkins, of Antoine Dessaure Perronnett, of Gabriel Gustave) emigrated from Ireland in 1715, on the same ship with the Reverend John Thompson, whose daughter, Esther, he afterwards married. He left the following children: John, born 1737, died 1797, married Elizabeth Montgomery and lived in Crockett's Cove, in Wythe County, Virginia. He was a soldier in the American Revolution; James, who married Mollie Drake and lived in Wythe County where Williamson McGavock now lives; Andrew, who moved to Tennessee; Samuel, of whom further; Ann Agnes, who married John Montgomery in 1753; and Jennie, who was the second wife of Henry Davis.

Samuel Crockett (of John, of Robert Watkins, of Antoine Dessaure Perronnett, of Gabriel Gustave), was born in 1735 in Prince Edward County, Virginia. He died in 1795, in Sullivan County, Tennessee. He was married twice, the first time in 1757, to Jane Steele, who was born in 1737 and died in 1775, and the second wife was a Mrs. Young. He was a soldier in the American Revolution. He left nine children, viz: Joseph, born 1758, who went to Georgia when a young man; John, of whom further; Dr. Samuel, who married Fannie Dudley, of Tennessee; Margaret, born 1766, died 1810, who married John Ingles in 1794. He was the youngest son of William Ingles and Mary Draper, who escaped from the Indians; Katherine, who married Robert Rutledge; Esther, who married Joseph Young; Jane, who married Andrew Peery, of Tazewell, Va.; Major Robert, born 1760, died 1812, married Jane Lewis Stuart in 1798. He was the first Clerk of Wythe County, Va. and (by second wife) Silas, who never married.

John Crockett (of Samuel, of John, of Robert Watkins, of Antoine Dessaure Perronett, of Gabriel Gustave), married April 20, 1802, to Polly Peery. He was, in 1804, the first elected Clerk of Tazewell County, and served for many years. He left nine children, viz: Robert, Addison, Samuel Peery, Rufus King, Mariah, Jennie Draper, Mary Ingles, Julia Ann and John I.

Robert Crockett (of John, of Samuel, of John, of Robert Watkins), born February 3, 1819, married Eliza Jane Moore (of John, of James Moore, of Abbs Valley, who was captured by the Indians in 1784).

Children: 1. Polly Crockett, who married James Crockett. They had the following children: Laura, who married Peter Homas; Jennie, who married Foster Pierce; Lou, who married a Gautley; Julia; Robert; Frank and Charles.

2. John Isaac Crockett, who married Cynthia Dickenson, first wife, and they had the following children: James, who married Eliza Brewster (one son, James); Margaret, who married Samuel Gillespie (children: Paul, Peery, Louise, Elizabeth, Samuel, Jr., Willie Juanita, and John Newton); Letitia, who married Glen Watkins (children: Lydia, Edward, John, Ralph and Irene); Corrie, who married Wiliam Gillespie (children: George, Marvin, Harry, Margaret, Helen and Evelyn); Dora, who married Albert Horton (children: Edith and Julia); William; Paul; Katherine, who married Carl Tarter (one son, Robert.)

Said John Isaac married Mary Gillespie, daughter of Rufus (second wife) and they have one son, John Donald.

3. Margaret J. Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), married William B. Morton in 1874. Their children: J E., who married Eugenia Johnson (one child, Margaret Ellen); Alice E., who married E. B. Johnson and they have one son, who lives at Seattle, Washington; Margaret E., who married William Moore Higginbotham, and live in Greenbrier Co., W. Va. (one son William Moore, Jr.); R. Kemp, who is the senior member of the law firm of Morton, Mohler and Peters, of Charleston, W. Va. He married Julia Davidson, daughter of A. C. Davidson (children: R. Kemp, Jr., Margaret Elizabeth and William B., 3rd.); Charles St. Clair, who died December 1923; Nancy L., who is superintendent of Blue Ridge Sanitorium, Charlottesville, Virginia; Verna R., Oxford Orphanage, Oxford, N. C.; William B., Jr., Cashier for the Bluefield Water Works and Improvement Company, Bluefield,



W. Va. He married Myrtle Atkinson, of Sunny Side, Washington; Arthur Price, A. B. of Randolph-Macon College and M. D. of University of Pennsylvania, and is now located at Naval Hospital, at Chelsea, Mass. He married Lillian Wright of Ashland, Virginia; and Mary Moore Morton, who married J. M. Edwards (children: James Martin, William Morton and David Crockett).

4. Lettie Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married William Gratton Beavers, first husband. They had one child, Pearl, who married P. C. Winburn and live at Bluefield, W. Va. Said Lettie Crockett married R. S. Porter, second husband.

5. Nancy C. Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, Robert Watkins), who married H. Wade Beavers. They have one living son, Robert G., who lives at Logan, W. Va.

6. David Titus Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Capitola Peery. They have one daughter, Annie.

7. Helen Louvenia Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married C. Frank Kitts. Their children: Robert Ernest, David Roscoe, who married L. Kate Lowe; Ruth Alice, who married C. Glenn Dunlap (one child, Glenna Ruth); Newel Jane, who married Nye Britts; Nancy Ethel, William Moore, Charles Frank, Jr., and Homer Morton.

8. Elizabeth Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Benjamin F. Foster. They have three children, all of whom live at Gentry, Missouri: Robert, Benjamin and Lettie.

9. William J. Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Rose Neel. Two children: Irene, who married Howard Gill, and Nannie Rose.

10. Robert Addison Crockett (Robert, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married, first wife, Annie Belle Crockett, daughter of Thomas G. Crockett. Their children: Harry Wade, Rose Annie, Ruth Jane, Robert Addison, Jr., Sidney Emil, Nannie Lettie and David Thomas. Said Robert Addison married, second wife, Ella Sue Wright. They have one child, Mira Loraine.

Addison Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born October 20, 1805, died March 23, 1870, married Letitia Harman (daughter of Henry Harman, Jr.), first wife, December 8, 1825. She died January 25, 1842. They had four children: Gustavus R.,



who married Zarilda Gillespie (daughter of Rees B.), January 18, 1849; Polly, who married Robert Crockett of Wythe County, Va.; Mary Letitia, and Virginia, who married Rush Harman, April 9, 1851.

Said Addison Crockett married, second wife, Martha Jane Davidson (daughter of Samuel P. and Nancy Davidson), December 29, 1842. Their ten children:

1. Nancy Matilda Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Dr. Charles Crockett. Their children: Addison, who died at age of twenty years; Kate, who married Charlie Gardner (children: Willie, Fannie Kate and Charlie, Jr.); Jennie, who married Ed. Sudduth (two children: Walton and Nannie, wife of H. D. Smith; Robert, deceased; James, deceased; and Lelia, who married Albert Baldwin.

2. Adelia Stras Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married James M. Crockett of Pulaski County, Virginia. Their children: Jennie, Sophia, who married Howard Wright; Addison, William, Rush, and George

3. Cassandra Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Henry Davidson. Their children: James, who married Alice Barbaree; Addison, who married Alice Perdue; Robert, who married a Tuggle; and Jennie, who married Jack Barbaree

4. Eliza Jane Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married George Hanson. No children.

5. Robert Addison Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Susan Witten (daughter of James R.). They now live in Missouri. Their children: James, Oliver, Charles, Lucy, William, Olive, Georgie, Jennie, Mattie, Rose, Lou, Susie and Vernice.

6. Dr. John Henry Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Ella S. Peery, October 1, 1884. Their children: Georgia Ethel, who married S. A. Presley (one daughter, Eleanor Crockett); John Henry, who died unmarried; and Bessie Jane.

7. Sarah Ann Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Charles C. Harman, son of Erastus G. Harman, December, 1876. Their children: Jennie, who married Jake K. Routh; Nannie, who married John A. St. Clair and Gertrude, who married John P. Ellwood.

8. Eldrid King Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Carmelia P. Crockett, first wife, October, 1880. One daughter, Delia, who married Urban Lemon.

Said Eldrid King Crockett married Elizabeth Vermillion, second wife, October 18, 1893. Their children: Henry K., Nannie Lucille, Robert V., who married Eva Harman, (daughter of R. P. Harman) (one son, Douglas H.); John Beverly; Jean Elizabeth, who married S. A. White; and Edward Tate.

9. Ella Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Shelton Mustard. Their children: Gratton, Walter, Essie, King, Georgie and Seigle.

10. Joseph Crockett (Addison, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), deceased

Samuel Peery Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born March 26, 1808, married ———— Vance. Their children:

1. Thomas Gillespie Crockett (Saml. Peery, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Nancy Sarilda Harman, October 10, 1872. She was born February 17, 1854, died March 16, 1921. Their children:

(a) Samuel J., born July 7, 1873, married Nannie Rebecca Bogle, February 12, 1896, at Tazewell, Va. Their children: Earl, Ural, Marjorie Clare, Mary Frances, Anna Margurite, Samuel Jasper, Nannie Virginia and an infant son, who died June 3, 1916.

(b) H. W. Crockett, born December 28, 1874, married Lillie O. Brown. Their children: Joe B., Zarilda, Mattie Belle, (dec'd), Sam Barnes, and H. W., Jr.

(c) Anna Belle Crockett, who married Robert Addison Crockett. Names of their children are given herein.

(d) T. H. Crockett, born April 19, 1878, married Nina M. Waltman, March 27, 1918. Their children: Winnifred E., Thomas H., and Curtis W.

(e) E. S. Crockett, born November 21, 1879, married Ella Christian. Their children: David Russell, Helen, Sydney Mack, and Charles Houston.

(f) Sarah Frances Crockett, born June 27, 1881, married J. H. McGuire. Their children: Herman, Clarence, Henry Francis, Holland, Shields, Thomas, Audrey, Mildred, and J. H., Jr.

(g) Victor Hogue Crockett, born April 19, 1884, died March 17, 1904.

(h) J. H. Crockett, born September 8, 1885, married Tura B. Kirk. Their children: Lowell, Hilton, and two others whose names were not obtained.

(i) J. E. Crockett, born March 17, 1889, married Ella McGuire, first wife. One child, Hubert. Said J. E. Crockett married Ada Vault, second wife. They had one child, whose names is not obtained.

(j) Eugene E. Crockett, born March 30, 1892, married Mabel Childress, October 26, 1912. Their children: Eugene Victor, Jr., Lester Hargus, Thomas J., Warren, Jack and Sedwyn.

2. Samuel Crockett (Saml. Peery, John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married a Thompson.

3. Rush F. Crockett (Saml. P., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), a Confederate veteran, now living, (1925).

4. John Scott Crockett (Saml. P., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Malinda J. Ellis. They had two children:

(a) Joseph Alderson Crockett, who married Jennie E. Brown, born February 15, 1866, and they have three children: Aileene Brown, who married James W. Peery (of Virginia Crockett Peery, of Robert G. Crockett, of John I., of John), and they have one child, Jane Crockett Peery; Edith A., who married James L. Walthal, and they have one son, James L., Jr., and John O., who married Elizabeth Hall.

(b) Mary Frances Crockett, who married James F. Gillespie. Their children: Joseph, who married Sallie Oglesby; Ada, who married George Moore; Lillie, Sallie and Virginia.

5. Martha Crockett (Saml. P., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married T. C. W. Noel. Their children: Mollie, who married Joseph L. Baker; Samuel, who died unmarried; and James S., who married Hannah Hain.

6. Cosby Crockett (Saml. P., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who died unmarried.

Rufus King Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born April 20, 1815, married Jane Peery, July 24, 1838. Their children:

1. James Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Polly Crockett.

2. Charles W. Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Elizabeth Hambrick. Their children:



(a) Treuleau Crockett, who married John D. Peery son of Chas. H.). Their children: Charles David, who married Margaret Whitley (two children: Treuleau Ann and Cosby Harrison); Glen Clay, who married Mary Kiser (one son, Glen C., Jr.); Elizabeth and Ruth.

(b) Joseph Patton Crockett, who married Vaughan Williams. Their children: Charles William, Mary Elizabeth, John Patton and Frank Russell.

(c) Bettie J. Crockett, who married Stanley J. Peters. Their children: Stanley C., Thelma and Donald T.

(d) Margaret Crockett, who married Abner N. Harris. Their children: Abner N., Jr., Charles Crockett and Mary.

3. George Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who lives in Wayne County, West Virginia.

4. Newton Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who died unmarried.

5. John Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married a Ferguson. Their children: George, William, Emma, Sue, and Mary.

6. Laura C. Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Dudley Hambrick. Their children: Samuel Graham, John Rufus, George W., James Dudley, Mollie, who married James Francisco; and Jennie, who married H. L. Laughtér.

7. Elizabeth Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Philip Cooley. Their children: Greever, Jennie, Julia and Alice.

8. Edna Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Wade Ferguson, and lives in Bath County, Kentucky.

9. Mariah Crockett (Rufus K., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married James Ferguson. She died at Moundsville, West Virginia.

Mariah Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born September 17, 1802, married Charles F. Tiffany, December 3, 1819. They had one daughter, Mary Zarilda, born December 2, 1820, died May 19, 1852, who married Zachariah Strother Witten, May 10, 1838. He was born January 9, 1815, died June 22, 1887. They had the following children:

1. Cosby America, who married Harvey George Peery (see Peery line).

2. Margaret Eliza Witten, who married Robert G. Crockett son of John I.

3. Nancy Jane Witten, who married Gratton Crockett (son of John I.).

4. Mary Mariah Witten, who was first wife of John C. St. Clair. Their children: John W., and Mamie.

Jennie Draper Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born February 27, 1804, married William Gillespie. Their children: 1. Mariah, who married William Kendrick; 2. Polly, who married Harvey Peery; 3. Julia; 4. Emarine, who died in infancy; 5. Nancy Jane, who married Thomas Gillespie; 6. Crockett, who married Mary Kendrick; 7. Robert, who married Sarah Cordle; 8. Rufus, who married Mary Katherine Spurgeon; and 9. Charles, deceased.

Mary Ingles Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born October 12, 1810, married Benjamin Layne, January 4, 1842. Two children: Martha and John.

Julia Ann Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born September 14, 1812, married Jefferson Matney, October 14, 1844. Their children: 1. Mary Jane, who married James H. Gillespie—no children; 2. Charles, deceased; and 3. John C., who married Maude Addison—no children.

John I. Crockett (John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins) was born in 1817, in Tazewell County, Virginia. He married Margaret Gillespie (daughter of Robert Gillespie, of Thomas), June 6, 1838. Their children: 1. Charles T. who died unmarried; 2. Thomas J., who married Emmarine Whitley (daughter of William); 3. Mary E., 4. Robert G., 5. Gratton, 6. Louisa J., 7. John W., and 8. Margaret.

Mary E. Crockett (John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), married James H. Gillespie, September 23, 1865. See Gillespie line.

Robert G. Crockett (John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born June 18, 1844, died November 3, 1886, married Emma Elizabeth Witten, April 10, 1867. Their children:

1. Mamie M. Crockett (Robt. G., John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), married Joseph M. Sanders, December 19, 1888. Their children: (a) Raymond Sanders, who married Josephine Newbill (one child, Mamie Crockett); (b) Sallie McDonald, Sanders, who married Ray Evans (two children: Mary Crockett



and Sallie Anna); (c) Mamie Crockett Sanders, who married Charles J. Farrington; (d) Joseph M. Sanders, Jr., who married Jean Day; (e) Annie Virginia Sanders, who married Dr. Harold Wharton Black (two sons, Harold Wharton, Jr. and Joseph Sanders); (f) Kathleen Sanders; (g) Robert Sanders; (h) Zachariah Witten Sanders; (i) Margaret McDonald Sanders, who died in infancy; and (j) Esther Sanders, who died at the age of sixteen years.

In the early days of Bluefield, Joseph M. Sanders was elected Mayor served for two terms. In 1896 he was elected Circuit Judge of the Ninth Judicial District of West Virginia and served for eight years. At the expiration of said term he was renominated for Circuit Judge, in 1904, but he resigned this nomination as Circuit Judge and was elected Judge of the Supreme Court of Appeals in same year and served until October 1, 1907, when he resigned and returned to Bluefield to practice law. He served as a member of the Board of Education at two different times after his return to Bluefield, and was elected a member of the City Council of Bluefield twice. In 1918, Mr. Sanders was elected to the State Senate of West Virginia and served four years, beginning January 1, 1919.

2. Zachariah Witten Crockett (Robt. G., John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who died unmarried.

3. George Peery Crockett (Robt. G., John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins) is a member of the law firm of Sanders & Crockett, of Bluefield, West Virginia. He received his LL. B. from the University of West Virginia, in 1901.

4. Virginia Crockett (Robt. G., John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married William Edward Peery (of J. S.) See Peery line.

5. Bettie Crockett and 6. Nannie Crockett (Robt. G., John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins).

Gratton Crockett (John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born October 30, 1846, died in 1902, married Nannie Witten, June 1, 1871. Their children:

1. Ethel Crockett (Gratton, John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Flood DuPuy. Their children: (a) Nannie Madison, who married Charles Stamps Minter, Attorney of Logan, West Virginia, (two children: Charles S., Jr. and William DuPuy); and (b) Eva, who married Dr. Robert Raymond Stuart, (two children: Robert Raymond, Jr., and Margaret DuPuy).



2. James Gratton Crockett (Gratton, John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins).

3. Bane Crockett (Gratton, John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), died unmarried.

4. Fannie Crockett (Gratton, John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married Walter Peery, and they had one child, J. Gratton, who married Bertha Cooksey and they have one child, Jean DuPuy.

5. Mollie Crockett (Gratton, John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), who married A. P. Penn and their children Nannie Spencer, Helen Holmes and Jean Dupuy.

Louisa J. Crockett (John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born November 8, 1848, died July 5, 1921, who married James P. Whitman, October 5, 1865.

James P. Whitman was a student at the Academy of Titus V. Williams at the beginning of the war between the states. He volunteered in Capt. T. V. Williams' Company "K," 45th Virginia Regt. of Infantry, and was elected Third Lieutenant of the company, and served in that capacity until the re-organization of the army May 1, 1862. He joined Capt. William E. Peery's company of cavalry as a private in June, 1861. Captain Peery's company was attached to the 16th Regt. of Virginia Cavalry in the fall of 1862. Col. Milton J. Ferguson commanding the regiment and James P. Whitman was elected Adjutant, and served in that capacity until the close of the war. In February, 1863, the 14th, 16th, 17th, 22nd Regiments and 34th Battalion of Cavalry were brigaded under the command of General Albert G. Jenkins, who was killed at the battle of Cloyd's Farm May 9, 1864. After General Jenkins' death, the brigade was commanded by General John A. McCausland until the close of the war. In 1925, James P. Whitman was elected Commander of the Virginia Confederate Veterans, and for several years prior thereto he was Commander of the Browne-Harman Camp, Confederate Veterans of Tazewell County. Children of Louisa J. Crockett and James P. Whitman are, viz:

1. John C. Whitman, born July 13, 1866, who married Bettie Jennings. Their children: Raymond H., Thomas W., Jessie, Grace M., who married Edward L. Bowman (one child, Alfred L.); and James P.

2. Charles T. Whitman, born March 2, 1868, married Irene Presley. Their children: (a) Kenneth H., who married Etta Watson Whitman (two children: Charles T., and Mildred); (b) Louis

E., who married Nina Spencer (one child, Margaret E.); (c) Nannie L., (d) Ola J., (e) Charles E., and (f) Edna J.

3. Naomi Elizabeth Whitman, born March 8, 1870, married Dr. Charles Copenhaver. One son, William A. P. Copenhaver, who married Mary Reade.

4. Mary G. Whitman, born August 19, 1872, married Samuel H. Moore. Their children: John H., Jessie W., Mildred, Allie M., Samuel L.

5. James G. Whitman, 6. Margaret Whitman, 7. Nannie L. Whitman, 8. Jessie Ward Whitman, dec'd, who married James Dillow, 9. Elbert M. Whitman, who married Clairice Massey. They had one child, Clarence E., 10. Josie A. Whitman, 11. Robert W. Whitman, who married Stella Myers. They had four children: Annie L., Mary J., Nancy E., and Dorothy C.; and 12. a son, who died in infancy.

John W. Crockett (John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born November 8, 1850, died April 24, 1908, married Mary Grace Hopkins, a daughter of John C. Hopkins, October 31, 1872. Their children:

1. Stella, who married R. S. Gillespie (of Rufus, of Robert). Their children: John Ward and Robert Walker.

2. John Hopkins Crockett, who died at the age of seventeen years.

3. Robert Oscar Crockett, born March 11, 1881, who married Florence Middleton (daughter of John W.) at Centralia, Chesterfield County, Virginia, December 18, 1919. They have two children: Sarah Florence and Robert Oscar, Jr.

Robert O. Crockett received his Bachelor of Law degree from Washington & Lee University in 1902, admitted to practice law at the Tazewell Bar, 1902. He was elected and served as Commonwealth's Attorney for Tazewell County for the years 1908 to 1912, inclusive; was elected Virginia State Senator in 1919 and served until 1921, when he resigned to accept the position of Special Assistant to the Attorney General of the United States, which position he holds at the time of this writing (1925). Mr. Crockett is a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity, W. & L. U.; Past Master, Tazewell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M.; Past Eminent Commander, Clinch Valley Commandery No. 20; member of the Kazim Temple, Roanoke, Virginia, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Presi-



dent of the Bank of Clinch Valley, Tazewell, Virginia, since 1923; and a steward in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Tazewell, Va.

4. Grace Crockett, who married William Jefferson Gillespie (son of Jos. S., of Wm. M.), June 5, 1905. Their children: Joseph Stras, John Crockett, William Jefferson, Jr., Robert Goggin, Albert Ritchie, Mary Hope, who died in infancy, Grace Hopkins, and Miriam. See Gillespie Line.

5. William Goggin Crockett, born January 9, 1888, married Ethel Dulin, of Washington, D. C., December, 1919. They have one daughter, Mary Grace.

Wm. Goggin Crockett attended Tazewell High School, Randolph Macon Academy, Bedford, Va.; and Hampden Sidney College. Graduated from Columbia University, 1913, with degree Pharmaceutical Chemist, and from New York University, 1917, with degree of Master of Science. One time chemist with the Department of Health of New York City; E. R. Squibb & sons, Brooklyn, N. Y.; E. I. Du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del. During the World War, Mr. Crockett was chemist with the Research Division of the Chemical Warfare Service. In 1919-1920, Professor of Pharmacy, Baylor University, Dallas, Texas. Since 1920, Professor of Pharmacy, School of Pharmacy of the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va., and analytical and consulting chemist.

Margaret Crockett (John I., John, Samuel, John, Robert Watkins), born August 19, 1857, married Samuel Montgomery Graham, late Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tazewell County, Va., March 25, 1875. Their children:

1. John William, who died in infancy; 2. Charles Archibald, engineer for Elkhorn Coal and Coke Company; 3. Margaret Louise, who married George Briggs, June 10, 1910 (two children: Margaret Montgomery and Mary McDonald); 4. Benjamin Thompson, who married Minnie Dennie Geisen, October 7, 1916 (one son, Benjamin Thomas, Jr.); 5. Mary Jessie; 6. Samuel Walton, who married Violet Heslep, June 29, 1920; 7. Sallie McDonald; 8. Hal Gordon; and 9. Malcolm Crockett.



## DESKINS, MAXWELL, WITTEN AND FIELDS FAMILIES.

Combined sketch written by Mary Ann Fields, age 73 years—1919.

## DESKINS.

“In the latter part of the Eighteenth Century, in the days of George Washington, three young lads came to America from England. John Deskins, Stephen Deskins, and Smith Deskins. The sad old story too much step-mother. Of their father and mother I know nothing. John and Stephen Deskins, took up and bought land, quite a large acreage in Tazewell County, Virginia, on both sides of the Clinch river. They were frugal, honest, industrious and sober men. Their farms joined. They lived near each other, until their children were grown.

John Deskins, the eldest brother married Mary Totten. They were the fond parents of three children, namely: Smith, Rebecca and Washington Deskins. He was a prosperous farmer, a good trader. He was very prosperous and soon accumulated quite a fortune, owned slaves, fine horses and fine cattle. In the early days was considered quite wealthy. When his children were grown and married, he sold his possessions and moved by wagons to Missouri. He and his wife lived to a good old age, died and were buried in Missouri. Of his posterity, I know very little. Stephen Deskins married Anna McIntosh, her mother was of German descent—a Miss Tollet—she had six sisters, five of whom married men, their first name was Thomas, called “Tom”, to this union was born ten children, six boys and four girls, namely: Harvey, Mary, John, William, Nancy, Elizabeth, James, Berdine, George Washington and Elenor. Harvey was the oldest, was finely educated for the early days, became a lawyer. He married, Miss Nannie Peck. They moved to Floyd County, Virginia. They had no children. He became quite wealthy, and a politician, was very popular. Represented Floyd County for sixteen years. Both died and are buried in Floyd County, Virginia.

John Deskins was educated and became a physician of some note. He married and moved to Illinois, settled on 160 acres of land. They had four children, namely: Stephen Rush, Bruce, Adelle and Hardin Young. His children became sick with chills and fever, became discouraged so he took his family and moved farther west. In the course of human events, the Railroad came through Illinois and the principal part of Springfield, the Capitol,

is built on his 160 acres, which he deserted in the early days. He told me of other similar experiences that he had let fortunes slip through his fingers during his long and useful life. He was a grand old man, lived near Laurence, Kansas. I had the pleasure of visiting him at his home. He died in 1886, and was buried on his farm at Laurence, Kansas.

Mary Deskins married Smith Deskins. They sold and went to Missouri. They had several children born, which died at an early age. During the mad rush to California for gold in the early fifties, Smith Deskins, her husband started for California, went as far as Larmer, Nebraska, took cholera and died and was buried there. Later his wife and two young sons, John West, and Stephen Augustus, came back to Virginia to her brothers, and sisters. In later years, John West was Captain in the Southern Army, and Stephen Augustus was in the Army also. Both returned without a wound. Both married and raised families. John West moved to Goff, Kansas, I visited his family there. His mother was buried in the Deskins Cemetery in Tazewell County, Virginia.

William Deskins married Rebecca Deskins, first cousins. Went with her father to Missouri. They reared a large family, they both died and were buried at Grundy, Missouri. He died on his sixtieth Birthday. Of their posterity I know nothing.

Nancy Deskins married Mark Tollett Lockhart. They raised six children. Birdine Lockhart the oldest died in the Southern Army of disease. Julia, Ellen, Stephen, Rachel and Alice. Some of the children may be living yet. They died and were buried in Tazewell, County.

Berdine Deskins, my father, married Margaret Maxwell, July 14, 1840. George W. was born April 8, 1841. Was drowned in Clinch river at the age of two years. Stephen Rush, was born April 22, 1843. He fought in the battle of Gettysburg, July 3rd and 4th, 1863, and came out without a scratch. He was gunner in Captain Jackson's battery. He crossed the Potomac with General Lee's Army, burnt Chambersburg in Maryland on their return to Hannon Courthouse on the banks of the Potomac, August 6, 1864, was wounded and missing, was never heard of again. From this cause a broken-hearted mother, went mourning to her grave. She never recovered from the loss of her beloved son. She was always watching and waiting for her child that never returned. Somewhere on the banks of the Potomac he fills an unknown grave.



Mary Ann Deskins was born December 31, 1845, Sarah E. was born March 10, 1847. John Witten was born April 28, 1855.

Margaret Deskins died September 15, 1886, Birdine Deskins was Major in the Militia in the Confederate army, died April 5, 1897. He lived to be the oldest of the family of ten. He was eighty years and six months old. They are both buried in Dickenson County, Virginia. He was born December 19, 1816. My mother was born January 14, 1818.

James Deskins married Sallie Maxwell, in 1839, had two sons, Stephen Rush, and Moses Shanon. She died at an early age.

Elizabeth Deskins, married Hugh Guthrie. They were the parents of four children. They moved to Ohio. She died at an early age, her son Harvey Guthrie visited his uncles and aunts in Virginia, when I was a small child.

George Washington Deskins married Wyrinda Rader in 1844. They had a large family. He was a prosperous farmer, owned slaves, was Sheriff of Tazewell several terms. Represented his county two terms in the Legislature. He was a loyal citizen, very popular and was well beloved by all, was honorable, respected by all classes. He was my favorite uncle. I was his favorite niece of all the families. In his later years he sold out and moved to Missouri where he died, and was buried in 1887. His wife returned to Virginia where she had sons and daughters, she lived to a grand old age, died and was buried with her departed children. She was a beautiful Christian character. She has four daughters living.

Elenor Deskins married Jackson Godby of Floyd County, Virginia. They were the parents of five children, namely: Nannie Peck, Alice, Julia, Gay and Walter Godby. Uncle Jack was Captain in the Southern Army. They died and were buried in Floyd County, Virginia.

Stephen Deskins, my grandfather, and his brother, John, each had an impediment in their speech, they had no pallet to their mouth and talked through their nose. They went horse back to Kings Salt Works, now called Palmer Works. In the early days they had no wagon roads. In the fall they must have salt to preserve their meat and for their stock which run on the range. They put up at Col. Tate's, as hotels were few and far between. Early next morning they made ready to resume their journey, Col. Tate and the Deskins brothers were saying "good-bye", a stranger on



horseback came riding up, he also was going for salt. Soon he began talking, he had spoken only a few words when the brothers became quite indignant, they alighted quickly, took the stranger from his horse quite roughly. Col. Tate came to the rescue as peace-maker, he had some difficulty to make them understand. After much persuasion they found him innocent and was alright. He had the same affliction they had, so peace was declared. They thought he was mocking them and making sport of them. They all shook hands, got on their horses and resumed their journey, loaded up with salt and came back, and remained friends ever afterwards. The incident was the cause of much amusement in years to come. The younger brother, Smith Deskins, immigrated south to Mississippi, became quite a prosperous southern planter, owned slaves. Was a very honorable man. Married and raised a family. Died and was buried in Mississippi.

During the War of the Confederacy my father corresponded with his cousin, John Deskins, since I have heard nothing from them.

I have never known an insane, or an imbecile, a murderer, a criminal, or a confirmed drunkard in all this large relationship.

Strange to say, I have never seen, read or heard of anyone of our familyname, Deskins, outside of our own immediate relationship. I used to tease my father when a child, saying the Deskins brothers when leaving England must have discarded their own name, and took a fictitious name.

Let me beg of you kind reader, don't view me with a cities eye, but pass my imperfections by.

#### MAXWELL—WITTEN.

June 2, 1918 being my fiftieth marriage Anniversary, also I am seventy-two years and six months old. I, Mary Ann Fields, will endeavor to write from memory a brief history of the Maxwell and Witten families. What I learned on my grandfather's knee, when I was a curious and inquisitive child.

James Maxwell came to America from Ireland in the Eighteenth Century in the days of George Washington. He was a Scotch and Irish descent. Was in several Indian skirmishes during the Revolution. He fought at the Battle of Kings Mountains. Was never wounded. He was a very large man, over six feet tall, and weighed

225 pounds, broad shouldered, well built, had powerful voice, had coarse straight hair which stood straight on his head, fair complexion, blue eyes, he was considered a very powerful man. He married a Miss Roberts, some time before the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776. Raised a family during the hostilities with the Indians, the mothers with their children lived in forts together for protection. My own grandfather and mother lived in the same fort in Virginia. They used to tell me of their many hardships, trials and fear of the Indians when living in forts.

In the course of human events and the Indians became less hostile and more friendly to the white man. My great-grandfather emigrated to the western part of Virginia. Settled in Tazewell County, Virginia on Cavitts creek near Clinch river, four miles from the Courthouse. He owned a nice farm, owned cattle, horses, sheep and hogs, was considered a "well-to-do" farmer at that time. His horses, cattle and sheep ran at large for want of fences and enclosed pastures. He kept four large Dane dogs for protection when he went in search of his cattle and horses. He had a large dog before and behind him, his gun on his shoulder, a knife at his side. He never looked to the right or left, went straight forward with a firm step and a fixed determination to conquer or die. The Indians never molested him, they were deadly afraid of him, called him: "The Great White Chief". He left two dogs with the family. He had a neighbor, a small sickly man, named "Scaggs", whom the Indians called "Nobody".

My great-grandfather and his sons worked hard, cleared the timber from their land built a crude log house and out buildings, had a garden, also set out a young orchard, had also fields to raise corn, rye, and such grain as they could get seed for. Autumn rolled around and he had to take his horses and sons and go to King's salt works, now called Palmer works, to get salt, to save his meat, also for his stock. The mother was left with the younger sons and oldest daughter. The mother was confined to her bed with an infant. Some stray skulking Indians were passing through came to the little home in the forest, scalped and tomahawked the two little sisters, Jennie and Mattie Maxwell. They each had a pet lamb, they asked their sister, Mary if they could go in the orchard to find their pets, she gave them her consent. They tarried too long, she went in search of them found the dead lambs and the two children slain, one was dead the other died that night. Oh,



the horrors of that awful night, no friends near them to lend a helping hand. Oh, the said home coming of that father. Night settled down upon them, in the bleak forest. Night where the screams of the owl shrills ghastly through the stillness. Could you imagine anything more horrible? His farm at one time had been an Indian village, there were large mounds still in the orchard of pinwincles shells, they had got them from the creek and Clinch river, they had used them for soups. I had the pleasure as a child of visiting the old homestead of my forefathers, where he lived and raised his family. I do not know when he sold his farm. There was born to this union: Robert Maxwell, Mary Maxwell, John Maxwell, Margaret Maxwell, James Maxwell, Jennie and Mattie killed by the Indians, and Elizabeth Maxwell. I never knew who my grandfather's brothers married his sister Margaret married David Whitley, had a home on Clinch river a few miles from the county seat in Tazewell county. He was a fine mechanic, very thrifty and industrious. He built a fine grist mill run by water power, also a saw mill, cut all his lumber. He and my grandfather Deskins built the two first stone dwellings in Tazewell, both on Clinch river, six miles apart, of lime stone in the rough dressed by hand, built very substantial and strong, well finished in those pioneer days. At that time were considered mansions, they are now in good condition, still inhabited. They are living monuments of honest labor of over a century ago. Many of their posterities are living and bear the name of Whitley in Tazewell County, Virginia.

Elizabeth Maxwell married William Marrs, raised a family, his sons, William and Maxwell Marrs, married two sisters Jennie and Sallie Brooks. Maxwell Marrs had a family, two have visited his widow and children. William and his wife had no family. The brothers and their wives are buried in Tazewell. The rest of the Marrs families moved to Kentucky. James Maxwell, my grandfather was born the spring of 1780, was married to Mary Witten, daughter of Jerry Witten, she was born in 1780. They were married in the year of 1804. They lived a long and happy life. He was of a lively and jolly temperment, honorable, sober, industrious man, a fine mechanic, a wagon maker by trade, also plows and harrows, and all kinds of implements by hand. He lived near Clinch river, owned a good farm, an orchard, a good home and shops. The Maxwell families owned very few slaves. They preferred land, fine horses and cattle, grist mills, merchantile, also fine mechanics.



They were good citizens, beloved by all who knew them. Sober, industrious, kind husbands, and fathers. No office seekers, not rich but well-to-do. The bone and sinew of the Country. The happiest days of my life, I spent in my grandfather's shop among his sharp, bright and well kept tools. I spent a good part of my time when a child with my grand-parents. They always kept the big red apples for me, which made me very happy. They were the fond parents of five children; three boys and two girls, namely: Witten Maxwell, Robert Maxwell, Sallie Maxwell, James Maxwell, Margaret Maxwell.

Witten Maxwell, the first born in the year 1805, married Alice Criswell. They had five children, namely: James C., Susan, Henry, Evans, Mary G., and Francis M.

Susan Maxwell married Montraville Steele in 1850. They were a lovely couple. There was born three sons, and one daughter. They all died of flux in ten days. Later she had a daughter, Rebecca, and the mother died of diphtheria during the War of the Confederacy.

Witten Maxwell and wife are both dead. Witten was killed by a railroad train near Pisgah in Tazewell. He was far in the eighty-ninth year, if he had not been killed he perhaps would have lived to a grand old age.

Grandfather Maxwell died in the spring of 1866, being eighty-six years old. Grandmother died in the year of 1873, being ninety-three years old.

Robert Maxwell was born in 1807, the same year Abraham Lincoln's birth. Married Margaret Bates. Her mother was the daughter of Ebenezar Brewster, married Thomas Bates. The young husband and wife moved by wagon, went to Illinois. After they got to their destination, very soon little Margaret came to brighten their home in the west. But it was only a short time when the sad news came that the young wife had lost her life. The kind-hearted Ebenezar Brewster made ready to go horse back for little Margaret to bring her home to be reared by the grandfather and mother. He made the lonely trip, found the little Margaret, carried her safe and sound horse back on a pillow in front of him all that distance to the anxious grandmother who was waiting. The little girl was only two years old. This was in pioneer days, railroads, telegraph, telephones and steam boats had not been in use. Illinois seemed so far west at that time, when the morning came he

was to take his leave, all relatives and neighbors came from far and near, made a great gathering to say good-bye, and God speed a happy return. But thought it doubtful if they should ever see him or the little girl. But the same God ruled over the destiny of man then as now. And they both returned to the arms of loved ones. She grew to womanhood. Was a devoted and affectionate wife and mother. A most estimable Christian character, esteemed and beloved by all who knew her. They were the fond parents of nine children. Four boys and five girls, namely: Thomas Bates, Charles J., Mary E., Sallie, James W. Manerva, John Chatten, Johanna, and Laura Maxwell. Charles, James and John all fought in the Confederate Army. John C. was a prisoner on Johnson Island. After the surrender of Lee they all returned home, during the month of May, Margaret Maxwell, Sallie Maxwell, and John C. were taken with a strange malady from which all died. Sallie and John C. were buried the same day. In the fall Johana died, a promising young girl. Thomas Bates died with flux during the war. The father died in the fall of 1904 in his ninety-seventh year. There are only two living to my knowledge. They were buried near Roarks Gap on his farm. He never was rich, but a well-to-do farmer, also a merchant of note. He was frugal, honest, sober, respected and honored by all who knew him. A kind husband and a good father. Near the family burying ground stands a large and sturdy oak, below it at the brink of a little hill a large living spring of pure water runs gurgling into Clinch river. Near this spot the Roarks family was taken prisoner by the Indians, the youngest child too small to walk, they dashed it's brains out against the big oak. It may not be standing now, I have seen it many times. Sallie Maxwell married James Deskins in 1839. Was the parents of two boys, namely: Stephen Rush, and Moses Shanon, the mother died at an early age. Later her husband married Miss Rachel Herndon, had two children, George and Elizabeth. He sold out his farm, moved his family to Linn County, Mo. Moses Shanon and George Deskins both died in the Union Army.

James Deskins and wife are buried in Lynn County, Mo. Stephen Rush married and lived on his father's farm. I had the pleasure of visiting his family and Elizabeth Smith and family in North Salem, Mo.

James Maxwell married Nancy Lawson, they were the parents of four children, James Worth and Sallie Ann, Frank Mc., and



John Maxwell. They are dead and are buried in the Deskins Cemetery. Two of the children are dead, Frank and Sallie.

Margaret Maxwell married Berdine Deskins, July 14, 1840. Were the fond parents of five children, three sons and two daughters.

George Washington was born April 8, 1841. He was drowned in Clinch river at the age of two years. Stephen Rush, was born April 22, 1843. Mary Ann Deskins was born December 31, 1845. Sallie E. Deskins was born March 10, 1847. John Witten Deskins was born April 28, 1855. Stephen Rush fought in the Confederate Army. Was gunner in Captain Jackson's battery.

Berdine Deskins was born December 19, 1816, departed from this life April 15, 1897. Was eighty years and six months.

Margaret Maxwell Deskins was born January 14, 1818 departed from this life September 15, 1886. They are buried in the Dickenson County, Virginia. Peace be to their ashes.

The rest of the family are still living. Mary Witten Maxwell my grandmother was of the famous stock of Wittens and Cecil's from England. It was always a well grounded fact that a large fortune was awaiting the Witten heirs in London. Which they never received from an unknown cause, a missing link among some of the heirs.

My grandmother was a loving wife, a kind and affectionate mother. A most estimable woman, a noble Christian character, many times I have found her in secret prayer when a child. She was a Methodist.

The Witten family were long lived people. Jerry Witten, her father was ninety-six years at his death. Her brother James Witten was ninety-three years when he died. She had twin sisters, Hettie and Lettie Witten. They lived to a grand old age. Moved west and died. My grandmother had two cousins captured and made prisoners by the Indians: James and Mary More. They were quite young and Mary could not keep up with them, so they left her behind. Some people took her as their own. She never got home. They liked James, he would show fight when they wanted him to carry blankets and bows and arrows, and throw them down. He was spirited and high tempered. He was with them seven years. When he returned he was very much an Indian. Wore beaded suits, cap and moccasins, sang and danced their war songs, would give their war whoops, he said he liked the Indian



life. He wrote the history of his life with the Indians after he came home. I read it when I was quite young. I do not suppose the book is to be had at this time. I enjoyed reading it very much.

The Maxwell and Deskins families were represented both in the Union and Confederate Army. Now I learn from Virginia that several of both families have responded to their countries call, and are at the front in service in this great struggle for the freedom of all nations, tongues and people who are oppressed and denied their freedom. May they be an honor to the cause and may return to loved ones at home and free America. "God speed the day that all may be free."

#### FIELDS.

Mary Ann Deskins was married to Charles Creigh Fields, June 2, 1868. Were the fond parents of three sons, Robert E. Fields, was born April 13, 1869, Lilborn Rush Fields was born April 11, 1871, at the age of two years he died, March 10, 1873. He was buried at Peterstown, Virginia. Care B. Fields was born December 6, 1873. C. C. Fields' father was William Fields, his mother was named Elizabeth Browning Finorey of Russell County. There were four children born to them: John W. Fields, Nancy J. Fields, Charles C. Fields, and Lilborn Fields. The three boys were all in the Confederate Army. All returned, John was badly wounded in the right leg, below the knee. He suffered a great deal from it. Lilborn went west after the War, was last seen in Omaha, Nebraska. The family never heard from him again. Nancy J. Fields married Montraville Steele, son of Thomas Steele. She was a devoted wife and mother. Her husband was a grand and noble man. He was also in the Confederate Army. Charles C. Fields was a fine mechanic in iron and steel. Was a plow maker by trade with H. H. Hall of Maysville, Ky. In the year 1877 he patented an adding machine, made quite a success. In later years he received several patents, at his death he was getting out a combination wrench. Both his sons have also received patents. Both have a mechanical trend of mind. Robert E. Fields has been fireman and Engineer on the Rock Island Railroad, since he was twenty years old. He is now on the pension list, but still running his engine. He has been very successful. Never had a serious accident and never was hurt during all these years.

Robert E. Fields married Miss Myrtle M. Sutton in Horton, Kansas. Two sons were born to them: Burt Elmo Fields, born July 24. Robert Keith Fields was born November 27th. They are both in the U. S. Navy. The mother died at an early age. Later he married Miss Elizabeth Finney Steel, daughter of Montraville Steel and Nancy Fields Steel, of Tazewell, Virginia. A most esteemable and beautiful character, and grand and noble wife and mother. To the little boys they never realized the loss of a mother from the kind and affectionate care of them. She was a mother to them in deed and in truth. She also raised her sister's little daughter until five years of age, when she burned to death. They had adopted her. After ten years of married life they are blessed with a lovely daughter, Dorothy Louise Fields, she is seven years old to cheer them in declining years.

Carl Birdine Fields has been in the U. S. Navy for fourteen years, will soon finish his fourth term. His first four years he made a complete tour around the world. Started from San Francisco went to New York, joined the Navy sailed east came back to San Francisco making the circumference of the earth. He has sailed on many oceans and seas, visited all the continents of the world, except Australia. Most all the Islands of any note in the Pacific and Atlantic oceans. He has been true to his colors. He is a fine mechanic, a sober, honorable and trust-worthy son, one of whom any mother can be proud of.

I feel thankful to know, I am the mother of two boys with such sterling qualities. I have no regrets, but am indeed a proud mother.

C. B. Fields was married to Mrs. Olive Cox, January 3, 1918. She has a daughter, Juanita Cox Fields, they are a happy family. They live at Vallijo, Cal. He works at Mare Island, California.

### THE GILLESPIE FAMILY.

The Gillespies are of Scotch descent, the name, derived from the Gaelic, Gillespuig, was spelled in the old records Gillespug, Gillespig, Glispig, Glaspy, etc. It is Highland Scotch for "Attendant of the Bishop". But the Gillespies of Northern Scotland were Presbyterians before John Knox began his denunciation against the "She devil of France;" some of them had already become preachers of the party opposed to the established church. A Gillespie is mentioned as a very famous preacher of the Presbyterian



Church in 1752, in Ulster, Ireland. In the great exodus from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, chiefly in the years between 1700 and 1750, but continued into the 19th century, the Gillespies, with the Bowens, Harmans, Lairds, and hundreds of others, whose names are familiar in Tazewell, came through the port of Philadelphia to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, thence scattering to the frontiers of Pennsylvania and Virginia. We find Thomas and James Gillespie buying lands about the headwaters of the James River as early as 1742, from Joist Hite, who had a grant of 400,-900 acres from Governor Gooch.

Thomas Gillespie bought a large tract on Cowpasture River and settled there. James settled near the head of the Holston River.

In 1789, the will of Thomas Gillespie was probated in the Augusta County Court, and gives the name of his wife, Eleanor, and names of his children: John, Thomas, Jacob, Jean, Eleanor, Ann, James and William.

In 1771, John Sevier with a company of sixty men, among whom was young Thomas Gillespie, explored the Holston to the Watauga River, where they built a fort and made a settlement, as they supposed in Virginia, whose governor had offered 400 acres and the privilege of buying more at a nominal sum to every man who would settle upon and improve one acre of land. The state line had been run only to Steep Rock. When it was later completed, it was found that the Watauga settlement was in North Carolina. Thomas Gillespie retained or acquired land there as we find him selling a tract in 1808. John Sevier settled on Nollichucky Creek, a tributary of the Watauga. "Nollichucky Jack" was constantly engaged in Indian warfare up to the period when he and Col. Shelby called upon Col. Campbell and others to help repel the British in the Carolinas. Thomas Gillespie was in Col. Sevier's command. Haywood's Civil and Political History of Tennessee names him Captain Thomas Gillespie. Gillespie Gap over which Col. Campbell led his men from Sycamore Ford was named from an encounter which Thomas Gillespie had with an Indian there.

Thomas Gillespie was in the battle of Pt. Pleasant, in 1774, and was one of three men who stole to the rear of Cornstalk's position and turned the tide of battle. He probably met Rees, William and John Bowen who were there, and, as there were less than 1,500



men in Campbell's force, he, no doubt, came into intimate contact with the five Bowens who went to King's Mountain. He came with them on their return to the Clinch; married Margaret, third child of Lt. Rees Bowen, and acquired a home at the foot of Clinch Mountain, near the Bowens, which property is now owned and occupied by his great-great-grandson, William Jefferson Gillespie.

From "Men of King's Mountain", by Katherine K. White (1924):

"Thomas and George Gillespie settled on Watauga in 1772. In 1786 Captain Thomas settled three miles below the mouth of the French Broad, other King's Mountain soldiers locating their land grants in the vicinity. He was active in border service. His fort at Watauga was raided in 1774, and his blockhouse on the Holston was many times threatened.

William Gillespie, a captain, was with Sevier in much of his border warfare.

George (Gillespie) must have been a brother to Captain Thomas, since he came with him to the Watauga, was a partner in his land deals, and was living in 1777 near Sevier at the mouth of Big Limestone.

All the above must have gone with Sevier to King's Mountain, but though I have no proof to this effect, there is ample proof of their participation in the border warfare.

The ruins of Thomas Gillespie's cabin on the north bank of the Holston could be seen a few years ago near the residence of James Huffacre."

In Vol. III, Chalkley Records of Augusta County, Va., p. 188, a Thomas Gillespie's will, which was probated June 15, 1790, mentions his wife Eleanor, eldest son, John, sons Thomas, Jacob, Samuel and daughters Mary Donaly, Hannah Jones, Jene ———, Eleanor and Ann, and two youngest sons, James and William. A tract of land devised by this will is described as "On Stuarts Creek of Cowpasture River."

In 1764, a Thomas Gillespie is noted in the court records of Rowan County, N. C., as serving on a jury. We think this is the Thomas Gillespie mentioned above, whose will was probated in 1790, and the father of Thomas Gillespie (Jr.), mentioned above, who came to Tazewell County, Virginia, in 1780 or early in 1781. This statement is founded upon family tradition, historical records

and other corroborating circumstances. Assuming the correctness of these conclusions, we submit the following genealogy of the Gillespie family:

Thomas Gillespie (son of Thomas Gillespie) came to Tazewell County Virginia, 1780 or 1781. He married Margaret "Peggy" Bowen (daughter of Lt. Rees Bowen) about 1781. They lived in their home at the foot of Clinch Mountain. His wife died there in 1799. His will, probated in the Tazewell County court in 1842, was written in 1830, and gives the names of his children: Rees B., Robert, William, Levisa, Mary, John, and Henry. "My sons Rees and Robert" are named executors.

In 1801, Thomas Gillespie had been appointed guardian of "Levisa, daughter of John Bowen, deceased." This John Bowen was the eldest son of Lt. Rees Bowen and himself a survivor of the Battle of King's Mountain, from which he brought his slain father's bloody shoes to his mother. In 1784, John Bowen married Nancy Gillespie; in 1788, he bought a home in Russell County; in 1789, he went to Philadelphia to sell cattle and died suddenly in a hotel there. He left a will devising his property to his wife, Nancy, and his daughter, Levisa. The widow, Nancy, married Thomas Ferguson and went to Knox County, Tenn.; the daughter, in 1802, married Rees B. Gillespie.

Rees B. Gillespie (Thomas, Thomas), born November 4, 1782; married Louisa ("Levice") Bowen (daughter of John and Nancy Gillespie Bowen), August 6, 1802. Their children: John B., Margaret B. "Peggy", Thomas S., William B. and Henry.

John B. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born December 1, 1803; married Martha Cross in 1843.

#### WILLIAMS LINE.

Margaret B. "Peggy" Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born October 13, 1805; died 1852; married William Williams, September 28, 1826. He was born 1799; died 1853. William Williams was a son of William; grandson of Richard; great-grandson of William and great great-grandson of Cornelius.

Cornelius Williams lived at Flint, Wales. His son William went to Cork, Ireland in 1730, then to Dublin. Richard, son of William, was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin University, 1765. Richard's son, William, entered Trinity in 1791 at the age of seventeen, and was graduated in law in 1795. His son, William, entered Trinity in 1811. The entry in the registration books as



given by Mr. W. W. Fry, registrar of Trinity College, Dublin, shows that the last William Williams entered under Mr. Craig, July 1, 1811, age 13; son of William, lawyer; residence, Dublin; A. B. degree, 1815. In the list of the Alumni of Trinity, published in 1924, this same information is found. Two brothers of this William Williams, John and James, were Presbyterian preachers in Dublin. There was a sister, Ann who never married and a brother, Charles, who came with William to America. Charles Disliked the new country and returned to Ireland. William, in 1820, found himself in Bath County, Virginia, where he lent his whole patrimony of \$5,000 to Col. Dickenson, who became a bankrupt, leaving William penniless. There was one resource for which he was fitted. He taught school, moving southward till he reached Tazewell, where he married Margaret, daughter of Rees B. Gillespie. On their farm at the mouth of Thompson's Valley, they reared ten children.

William Williams was a large, dark, unusually strong man. His neighbors named him Vulcan. He took an active part in the affairs of the community; was, for years, Justice of the Peace, and as such, a member of the County Court. He believed that slavery was a crime, that a free country must have only free inhabitants; that every male citizen should have full opportunity for an education, and the the first obligation of a citizen is to furnish sons to his country. He was an accomplished linguist, reading many languages, and an especially fluent speaker in French, the polite language of his day. His father had planned his education for a diplomatic position in the papal government. The son seems to have rebelled against this disposition of his life; for there is no notation of religion on the registration books of the University on the line intended for that information, and his children were reared in the Methodist Church. His daughter, Mary Ann, was somewhat puritanical in her work in that church and her strict adherence to its rules. The children of William and Margaret Gillespie Williams were: Mary Ann, born 1827, died 1892, married John Young; Julius C., born 1829; Numa P., born 1831, died 1851, unmarried; Louisa B., born 1833; Titus V., born 1835; Junius, born 1837, died in infancy; Cyrus, born 1839; Marcus, born 1841; Margaret J., born 1843 (twin); Patrick H., born 1843 (twin) died 1920.

Julius C. Williams, born 1829; died February, 1910; married Mary Davis, February 19, 1855. She was born 1834; died 1916. Mary Davis was the daughter of Thomas Davis and his wife, Mary



Laird. Thomas Davis was the son of John Davis and his wife, Peggy. John Davis was the son of Thomas Davis, who for fourteen years was rector of Christ Church, Alexandria, Va., and the chief officiating minister at the burial of General George Washington.

Julius C. Williams entered the War between the states in the summer of 1862 as 1st Lieutenant of Co. "C," 16th Virginia Cavalry; was transferred to the 37th, then re-transferred to the 16th. He was severely wounded near Gordonsville, Va., February 19, 1865, a minnie ball passing through his body just above the heart as he, with a small detachment, was reconnoitering the enemy's position. He lost the use of an arm as a result.

The children of Julius C. and Mary Davis Williams were: Thomas, born 1856, died 1876, unmarried; Dr. Marcus, born 1859, died 1891, unmarried; Margaret M., born 1861, living at Newport News, Virginia (1925); Florence, born 1863, married John H. Stinson, 1893. They have one daughter, Amy Stinson, who married T. B. Powers (three children: Florence, Lois and Erma Powers); Dr. George J., born 1868, living at Newport News, Va.; Octavia, born 1870, married W. B. Harris, 1894, died January 9, 1916. Their children: Marjorie Harris, who married Lt. Winston Southgate Lindsey, 1917 (three children: W. S., Jr., Edward W. and James Lindsey); George Ben Harris, who married Hazel Bell, 1920 (one child Patricia Harris); Florence Mary Harris, who married Dr. H. W. Curtis, 1918 (one child, H. W., Jr.); John Gordon Harris; and Stuart Edward Harris.

Louisa B. Williams (daughter of William and Margaret Gillespie Williams), born 1833; died 1912; married Howard Ratcliff, 1867. They had one daughter, Edgar, who married James F. Hurt. Their children: Ollie Hurt, who married Charles Rosseau, January 15, 1912 (children: Louise, Mary Catherine, Charles, Jr., and Billy Pat); Winifred Hurt, who married Edward Jerrow, July, 1923 (one child, Janice); and Edgar Hurt, Jr., who married Trubie Meek (son of Robert and Berenda Meek), July 12, 1916 (three children: Edward, James and Howard).

Titus V. Williams (son of William and Margaret Gillespie Williams), born 1835, died 1908, married Sallie George in 1865. They moved to Missouri and were the parents of a large family. Titus V. Williams, just out of the Virginia Military Institute, entered the army immediately on Virginia's secession, as Captain

of Co. "K," 45th Virginia Regt. of Infantry. He was transferred to the 37th Va. Inf. as Major. For gallant conduct he was promoted to the Colonelcy. Was wounded several times.

Cyrus Williams (son of Wm. and Margaret Gillespie Williams), born 1839, married Octavia Davis, 1865 (first wife) and Rebecca Davis (second wife). Their children: Robert, who married Leona Murrill (one child, Harry); John, who married in California; Charles, who married Julia Brown (children: Patrick, Malvina, Bill Cy., Carrie and Tom); Dr. William Rees, who married Mattie Peery (children: James Peery, Mary, William R., Jr., Davis, Martha and Evelyn Bessie); Thomas, who died unmarried; Harry, who married Myrtle ——— (one child, Leonard); Effie, who married Leonard Spratt; and Carrie, who married ——— Kerr. They live in Washington State.

Marcus Williams (son of Wm. and Margaret Gillespie Williams) born 1841, died 1910, married in California.

Margaret J. (twin) born 1843, married Sanders Spurlock, 1866. She is living at Wayne, W. Va. One son, William, who married Anzo ——— (two children: Carl and Ollie).

The foregoing data on the Williams family was prepared by Miss Margaret Williams of Newport News, Virginia.

Thomas S. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born December 13, 1807; married Maria Peery, 1829.

William B. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born February 14, 1810; married Margaret Peery (daughter of James), March 25, 1830.

Although over the age for military service, William Bowen Gillespie served one year in the War Between the States.

Their children: James H., born January 11, 1832, who married Mary J. Matney (daughter of Jefferson Matney), January 6, 1864. He died February 12, 1915; she died in 1917. They had no children. James H. Gillespie was the first clerk of the courts for Buchanan County, Va., and served as such six or seven years; and was clerk during the War Between the States. On the approach of a Federal force, he was ordered by the court of Buchanan County to take the county records to Tazewell for safe keeping, and had removed most of them before the enemy reached Grundy, the courthouse of Buchanan. The records not removed were destroyed by the enemy. After his term of service as clerk of said county expired, Mr. Gillespie returned to Tazewell, where he spent the remainder of his life.



Thomas A. Gillespie (son of Wm. B.), born January 10, 1841, married Nancy J. Gillespie (daughter of Wm.), October 14, 1863. He died in 1920. She is still living. They had one child, Jennie Maude, who married Clarence Wynne (two children: Mary and Lucille).

Thomas A. Gillespie joined Co. "K," 45th Virginia Infantry, April 1861, at Grundy, Virginia. He served two years as Lieutenant, then resigned. He was then appointed First Lieutenant of Co. "D," 22nd Virginia Cavalry and served until the close of the war. He was captured by the enemy near Winchester, in the summer of 1864; and again captured in the fall of 1864, but both times made his escape. He served as deputy clerk of Buchanan County about six years; was postmaster at Grundy for eight years; and was county treasurer of said county for seven years. He returned to Tazewell where he spent the remainder of his life.

Martha Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.) married Thomas Maxwell (first husband). They had one daughter, Mary, who married "Cum" Taylor, and one son, Robert, who died in young manhood. Martha Gillespie married William Vincin (second Husband).

Mary Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.) married George Daugherty. Their children: Margaret, Charles, Corrie and James.

Sallie Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.), married William Murrell. They had one child, Leona, who married Robert Williams.

Julia Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.) married Abel Hankins (son of James) in 1865. Their children: James Ed. William Bowen, Sallie, Lucy, and Minnie. (See Hankins line).

William Bowen Gillespie's second wife was Elizabeth Stratton (daughter of Charles Stratton). They had four daughters:

Louise Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.) who married William B. Cooley. Their children: Corrie, who married James Masters; and Blair.

Maragert Gillespie, born September 16, 1851, who married Thomas Hankins (son of James), November 8, 1867. Their children: James B., who married Minnie Repass; Lucy, who married Charles W. Jones; Moses Jackson, who married Margaret Peery; Etta; T. Blair, who married Della West; May Octavia; Ella Elizabeth, who married Firm A. Weaver; Nora Myrtle, who married Eugene S. Thomas; and Clyde N., who married Sallie White. (See Hankins line).



Kate Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.), born September 20, 1853, married Robert H. McGraw, 1868. Their children: John F., who married Isabelle Alley, September 6, 1899 (their children: Robert, who married Bertha Kincer, December 20, 1924; Marvin, J. Fred, George T., Kenneth W., Virginia Hazel, Joseph, Nell and Mary); Louise McGraw, who married Robert W. Embrey (one daughter, Catherine, who married M. E. Hyman); Elizabeth McGraw, who married Robert Houchins (children: Carl, Lyle, who was killed in the World War; George, Thelma, and Jean); Mollie McGraw, who married Martin Henry Underdunk (first husband) and William Gose (second husband). (She has three children: Martin Henry Underdunk, Jr., Robert and Catherine Gose); George McGraw, who married Florence Boyce (children: Helen, Arthur and Edwin); Margaret, who married Norman Embrey (one child Rae Gorden); Norine, who married Robert W. Davis; and Charles, who married Blanche Brown (two children: Charles, Jr., and Mary).

Corrie Gillespie (daughter of Wm. B.), married Frank Hopkins. They had two daughters: Stella, and Frankie, who married Wiley Munsey (their children: Marve, Marcie, Elizabeth, Wiley, Jr., Francis and Bettie Lee).

Henry Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born March 8, 1812.

Rees B. Gillespie (Thomas, Thomas) married Mary Ann Tiffany (second wife), February 13, 1823. She was born March 21, 1798, in Dublin, Ireland. Her father was Hugh Tiffany.

Their children: Hugh Tiffany, Louisa B., Emerine V., Mariah, Zarilda, Eliza Jane, Mary Ann, Elizabeth, Charles Tiffany, and Rees T.

Hugh Tiffany Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born December 5, 1823; married M. Frances Murphey, March 16, 1856.

Their children: Zarilda Gillespie, who married Henry Yost. Their children: Nannie Yost, who married Harry Rice; Alice Yost, who married Sam. N. Hufford; Hattie Yost, who married L. W. Jenkins; Beverly Yost, who married Ada Crinner; Hannah Yost, who married Atlee Smith; and Roy Yost.

Charles Gillespie (son of Hugh T.), who died when twenty-one years of age.

Mary Gillespie (daughter of Hugh T.), born January 11, 1859, married Wade Steele, October 20, 1881. Two children: Charles, who married Mary Hooper; and Henry Steele.

Eliza Gillespie, twin to Isaac C., (daughter of Hugh T.), married Charles William Clark, September 4, 1881. He was born June 20, 1856, and died December 9, 1914. Charles W. Clark was a son of Patrick Kendrick and Ann Eliza (Steele) Clark, grand-son of Frederick and Polly (Kendrick) Clark, who were married June 10, 1819. Charles William and Eliza Gillespie Clark moved to Kentucky in 1884, where he became one of the leading farmers and merchants of his section. She died February 4, 1885. Their children: Elliott Wise and Charles Estill.

Elliott Wise Clark, born June 18, 1882, married Alice Murphy, daughter of John Thomas and Louise Halsey Murphy, August 29, 1899. He left Kentucky in 1904 and has since resided in Coles County, Illinois, where he has been engaged in the business of farming and raising live stock. He has taken much interest in the breeding of blooded live stock and has produced many prize winners in his community. Their children: John William, Hazel D., Osa L., Ethel Mae, Eliza L. and Charles Elliott.

Charles Estill, born May 1, 1884, married Barbara Hester Manning (daughter of Ezekiel and Nettie Lykins Manning), June 11, 1912. Charles E. Clark received his education from the State University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky., and University of Chicago Law School, receiving his LL. B. degree in 1917. He located in Chicago and was admitted to the Illinois Bar April 4, 1917. He is engaged largely in corporation practice. Mr. Clark is Vice President and Director of the White Frost Refrigerator Co., Jackson, Michigan; a director of Averill Tilden & Co., Chicago, Ill. He is a member of the Chicago Law Institute, Chicago Bar Association, Ridgemoor Country Club, Kentucky Society of Chicago, Union Leage Club of Jersey City, N. J., Cicero Chapter No. 180, Royal Arch Masons, and Trustee of Austin Boulevard Christian Church of Oak Park, Illinois.

Isaac Chapman Gillespie twin to Eliza (son of Hugh T.), who married Mary Bailey. They had fourteen children, eleven of whom are living.

Mariah Gillespie, twin to "Vicie" (daughter of Hugh T.), who married J. Oscar Mitchell, June, 1886. No children.

Louisa "Vicie" Gillespie, twin to Mariah, (daughter of Hugh T.), who married George Walker, September 6, 1892. Their children: Wade Walker, who married Helen Record, September 12, 1922; and Louise Walker, who married C. A. Mowles, July 20, 1923.



Hugh Gillespie (son of Hugh T.), who married Annie Hearn. They have nine children.

Louisa B. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born June 2, 1825; married John V. Hopkins, June 20, 1844. No children.

Emerine V. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born December 8, 1826; married Rees Bowen Gillespie (William, Thomas, Thomas), December 23, 1861.

See Rees B. under William Gillespie.

Mariah Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born September 27, 1828; died at age of fourteen years.

Zarilda Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born September 7, 1830; married Gustavus Crockett, January 18, 1849.

Eliza Jane Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born March 19, 1832; married Isaac E. Chapman, January 8, 1850.

Their children: Mary Louise Chapman, who married Col. Henry C. Alderson, September 28, 1871; John William Chapman, who married Lavalette Higginbotham (first wife), June 17, 1891; and Mrs. Nannie Rose Chanceaulme Walker (second wife); R. Cecil Chapman, who married Byrde May, January 28, 1892; Nannie Emerine Chapman, who married Augustus B. Buchanan, November 12, 1884; and Alice McDonald Chapman, who married Judge Joseph B. Boyer, March 1, 1893. (See Chapman line).

Mary Ann Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born January 26, 1834; died June 14, 1888; married Robert Winston, January 18, 1849.

Their children: Ed., who married Alice Peery; Emerine Clifford; Robert; William; Mary; and perhaps others.

Elizabeth Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born January 23, 1836; died July 31, 1895; married Thomas T. Mobley, January 1, 1863.

Their children: Mary, Talitha, "Leck" and others.

Charles T. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born March 25, 1838; married Sallie Moore, January 16, 1867.

Their children: Tiffany Lee, who married Amelia Daniels (first wife) and Mollie Vance (second wife); Nannie, who married Joseph Hopkins; Ernest; Harvey Browne; Mary Jane, who married a Mr. Napier (one son, Bernice); Charles; Clara, who married Dr. ———— Loar. They live in Oregon; Rees; Fudge Isaac; and Sallie.



Rees T. Gillespie (Rees B., Thomas, Thomas), born December 23, 1839; married Eva J. Hedrick, December 4, 1862.

Their children: William Browne, who married Mamie Hood; and Charles, who married a Miss Reeves (first wife) and a Miss Gammon (second wife).

Robert Gillespie (Thomas, Thomas), married Jane Ward (daughter of John Ward), December 31, 1818.

Their children: John C., Rufus, who married Annie ————. (Their children: Robert S., who married Estelle Crockett; Charles; James; Minnie; and a daughter, who went to Missouri); Margaret, who married John I. Crockett (see Crockett line); Henry; Charles, who married ———— Gillespie; Nancy, who married William B. Young, May 5, 1842, and removed to Texas; Emily, who married William W. Dunn, November 5, 1851; and Angeline, who married Rufus Brooks of Thompson Valley. Robert Gillespie and all of his children, except Margaret, went to Texas.

William Gillespie (Thomas, Thomas), born October 21, 1784; died September 25, 1875; married Nancy Harrison (daughter of Thomas, the weaver), October 10, 1810. She was born November 15, 1795; died January 5, 1822.

In 1806, William Gillespie was appointed Captain in 2nd Battalion, 112th Regt. During the War of 1812, Tazewell County was called upon to send one company to Norfolk, Virginia. To decide which of two companies was to answer this call, Captain William Gillespie and Captain Elias Harman drew lots. In this way the company of Captain Gillespie was selected to go to Norfolk. On their journey, Captain Harman took care of the company for one night. William Gillespie produced in court a commission, dated May 11, 1819, from the Governor, appointing him Lieut. Colonel of the 112th Regt., 17th Brigade and 3rd Division of Militia. He was appointed Justice of the court in 1820. Was a member of the House of Delegates of Virginia, 1821.

He had the following children: William M., Thomas H., Rees B., Mary "Polly", who married Harvey G. Peery; Maria T., who married William T. Kendrick, February 14, 1850; Louisa, "Vicie", who married ———— Smith (two children: James W. Smith, who married America Higginbotham, and a daughter, who married and went West).

William Gillespie (of Thomas, Thomas) married Jane Crockett (second wife), in 1825. Their children: Crockett, who married ———— Dickenson; Rufus; and Robert.

William M. Gillespie (William, Thomas, Thomas), married Olivia Johnston (daughter of David and Sallie Chapman Johnston). She was born August 31, 1812.

William M. Gillespie was a self-made man. He began his business career at a salary of \$6.00 per month, and at the time of his death in 1879, he was the richest man in Tazewell County. Mr. Gillespie taught school two or three years. He served as deputy sheriff for John Cecil, 1833; for John B. George, 1842. In 1844-45, he was Sheriff of the county. He was a member of the Virginia House of Delegates session \_\_\_\_\_.

During the War Between the States, Mr. Gillespie lived on one of his farms near Richlands, Virginia. A company of a Kentucky Regiment, commanded by Captain Jenkins, was encamped on this farm. Captain Jenkins was unpopular with the Norther Sympathisers, and was noted for his sternness in the treatment of deserters. While encamped here, Captain Jenkins became ill and was removed to the home of Mr. Gillespie. A band of Northern Sympathisers decided they would take the captain and hang him and put a stop to his activities in that section. When they demanded that Mr. Gillespie deliver him to them or they would burn his home, he replied that if they destroyed his house he could build another, but if they killed Captain Jenkins, he could not be replaced and refused to give him up. Two of the daughters, Elvina (Painter) and Louisa (Bowen) were in the attic of this log house with the captain and were kept busy loading and reloading guns for him to use on this party seeking his life. Not very long after the fight began, the men who were detailed to stay with Captain Jenkins until he was well enough to join his company in Kentucky, returned from their duties elsewhere and the hostile party fled. The house was filled full of bullets from the attacking party. Later, Mr. Gillespie removed to his farm at the foot of Clinch Mountain, which farm is now owned by his grand-son, W. J. Gillespie.

Their children: David Johnston, Margaret Bowen, Sarah Jane, Barbara Emmons, Mariah E. Louisa, Elvina Pendleton, Mary V., Joseph Stra's and Albert Pendleton.

David Johnston Gillespie (William M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born December 18, 1833; married Elizabeth Saunders.

Their children: Olivia, deceased, who married \_\_\_\_\_ Henderson; William, deceased; J. Saunders, deceased, who married Mary Mahood (children: Elizabeth and Olivia); Etta, deceased;



Augustus, deceased; Painter, deceased; Joseph S., and Flora, who married William B. Greear (children: William Browne, Jr., and David).

#### HARRISON LINE.

Margaret Bowen Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born October 4, 1835; married Col. Joseph H. Harrison, February 10, 1852. He was born April 17, 1831 died 1905.

Col. Joseph H. Harrison was the youngest child of James Harrison.

James Harrison, born June 10, 1784, married Mary (Polly) Gillespie, November 7, 1807. She was born April 13, 1789. Their children: (a) Louisa, born March 20, 1809, who married James Thompson, February 15, 1835; (b) Elizabeth "Betsy", born May, 1811, who married Charles Taylor, May 8, 1828; (c) Alexander Harrison, born March 3, 1813, who married Letitia S. Taylor, October 4, 1836; (d) John Crockett Harrison, born June 5, 1815, who married Elizabeth I. Duff, July 4, 1839; (e) Charles Harrison, born 1817, died in infancy; (f) Robert Harrison, born 1819, died unmarried; (g) Margaret B., born April 21, 1821, who married James Vail, August 8, 1837; (h) Cosby, born June 25, 1824, who married Samuel Graham; (i) James, born March 18, 1826, who married Nancy W. Barns, August 19, 1845. (See James Harrison, under Barns line); (j) Thomas G. Harrison, born June 19, 1828, married Carrie A. Barker, daughter of Josephine V. Barker of Great Falls, Mont.; and (k) Joseph H., who married Margaret Gillespie.

Col. Joseph H. Harrison was one of the first Tazewell men to enlist in the service of the Confederacy, in the War between the states. The first four companies organized in the early spring of 1861 were Companies "A" "G" "H" and "K", and were attached to the 45th Virginia Regiment of Infantry. Colonel Harrison was chosen the first captain of Co. "A", in which capacity he served for about one year. He was engaged in other branches of the service until the close of the war. His record as a soldier was unsurpassed. For courage and for loyalty to the Confederacy, no soldier stood higher. After the war and until his death, he was a leader in his section of the country, both in politics and in the material development of the natural resources of Tazewell and contiguous counties. He had, perhaps, the first vision of the early development of the timber, coal and mineral resources of this country. He lived to see his dreams of the development of the coal and mineral wealth



of our section come true. Colonel Harrison was a Republican in politics, and a member of the Christian (Disciples) Church.

Their children: (a) Mary Louise Harrison, born June 10, 1853, who married H. Bane Harman, November 3, 1870. Their children: Margaret Ann, who married Wilkerson W. Peery (children: James Bane, Elmo, and Wilkerson W., Jr.); Sallie Louise, who married William Thomas Gillespie (one daughter, Mary Anita); Joseph P., who married Pansy Alexander (children: Harrison, John and Mary Elizabeth); and Ollette, who married Joseph W. Moss (one son, Robert).

(b) William Gillespie Harrison, born, 1855, died, 1918, married Letitia Higginbotham, first wife. They had one daughter, Marjorie. He married Helen Spencer, second wife.

(c) James David Harrison, born December 8, 1856, died March 6, 1912, married Sarah Brittain Peery, July 24, 1891. Their children: Mary Olive, who married Richard Meade (one son, Richard, Jr.); William Peery, who married Sarah Rice; Harvey George; and Margaret Bowen.

(d) Olivia Harrison was the second wife of H. George McCall.

(e) Sarah Elizabeth Harrison, married H. George McCall. Their children: Olivia, who married Archibald C. Buchanan (two children: Sarah Elizabeth and Archibald C., Jr.); William Edwin; and Mary Margaret, who married S. Ralph Maxwell (three children: McCall, Samuel R., Jr., and William Kendrick).

Sarah Jane Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born June 1, 1837, married Clinton Barns (son of William Barns), June 13, 1854, at Richlands, Va., by Rev. David Young.

For their children, see Barns line.

Barbara Emmons Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born November 26, 1839, died May 28, 1910, married George William Gillespie (of Thomas H.), February 12, 1862.

For further genealogy, see George W. Gillespie line.

Mariah E. Louisa Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born August 20, 1842, married Captain Henry Bowen (son of Rees Bowen).

For further genealogy, see Capt. Henry Bowen, under the Bowen family.

Elvina Pendleton Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born December 17, 1844, died November 27, 1924, married Dr. Thmomas Lawrence Painter, July 27, 1869. He was born July 28, 1841, died November 7, 1905.

Dr. Thomas L. Painter was a son of Isaac and Eveline Bell Painter; grandson of Mathias Painter, who died in Wythe County, Va. Dr. Painter was a member of Co. "I" ("Virginia and Virginians", by Lewis says, Company "B") 29th Virginia Infantry, Pickett's Division, Longstreet's Corps during the War Between the States. He was in the battles of Cold Harbor, Drury's Bluff, Five Forks, Seven Days Around Richmond. He began the study of medicine immediately after returning from the army, and graduated with honors at Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va., in 1868; and was resident physician in the old Howards Grove Hospital for about one year. He came to Tazewell in 1869, where he practiced medicine for about eighteen months and then removed to Liberty where he bought property and spent the remainder of his life in managing his farms and the practice of his profession.

They had one son, William Isaac and one daughter, Mary Evalina, both of whom reside at Tazewell, Va.

Dr. William Isaac Painter was born May 11, 1870. He married Ida Russell (daughter of Geo. W. and Rebecca Zion Russell), January 29, 1897. They have two sons, Lawrence R. and Russell Barns. Dr. William Isaac Painter was a student at Washington & Lee University, sessions 1888-90. He received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1894, and began the practice of his profession with his father at liberty but came to Tazewell and has been actively engaged in the practice of medicine since that time. He has large holdings in farming and grazing lands in Tazewell County.

Mary V. Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born January 21, 1848, married Oscar Fitzalen Barns, May 20, 1869, by Rev. Patton J. Lockhart.

For further genealogy, see Barns line.

Joseph Stras Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born October 5, 1850, died September 3, 1920; married Mary Elizabeth Higginbotham (daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Nancy Bane Higginbotham), January 24, 1872. She was born May 20, 1848, died April 19, 1923.

Hon. Joseph Stras Gillespie was excelled by none as a successful business man and political leader. His rapid and unerring solutions of all questions arising in these lines seemed more like intuition than a decision based on weighing evidence and reaching conclusions. It was the writer's privilege to be associated with Mr.



Gillespie in a small way in business and rather extensively in politics during a period of more than thirty-five years. He was frequently amazed at Mr. Gillespie's correct and quick decisions on complicated questions. Tazewell County could justly boast of many able political leaders, but none stood higher in the confidence of both leaders and people than did Mr. Gillespie. He never aspired to official position but in 1885 he was "drafted" by the Republicans and elected Senator from the Third Senatorial District, which was composed of the counties of Buchanan, Dickenson, Russell and Tazewell. His clear conception of the duties of a representative of his district and his forceful personality, re-enforced by sound and sane judgment, won for him universal distinction as a law-maker. Mr. Gillespie was one of Tazewell's men who had large interests in coal and farming lands. He died suddenly while on a visit to his farm near Rocky Dell, on September 3, 1920, at the age of seventy years.

Their children: William Jefferson and Nancy Oltvia, who married Thomas Ritchie Peery (son of Dr. Thomas Ritchie Peery), November 3, 1909.

William Jefferson Gillespie (son of Joseph Stras Gillespie), married Grace Crockett, June 5, 1905. He was educated at Hampden-Sidney College. He lives on his farm at the foot of Clinch Mountain, which farm belonged to his great, grand-father, William Gillespie. He is a farmer, grazier and merchant. He has large holdings in coal lands and is a director in Yukon Pocahontas Coal Company, Banner Raven Coal Company, Kennedy Coal Corporation, Prestonsburg Coal Company and director in Tazewell National Bank. Their children: Joseph Stras, John Crockett, William Jefferson, Jr., Robert Goggin, Albert Ritchie, Mary Hope, deceased, Grace Hopkins and Margaret Miriam.

Albert Pendleton Gillespie (Wm. M., William, Thomas, Thomas), born April 3, 1855, died August 5, 1913; married Nancy Letitia Higginbotham (daughter of Thos. Jefferson and Nancy Bane Higginbotham), March 24, 1880. She was born July 14, 1853, died January 17, 1914.

Albert Pendleton Gillespie graduated at Emory and Henry College in the class of 1876. Studied law under Joseph Stras, Sr., and qualified to practice law at the Tazewell Bar, August term, 1878. He served as Attorney for the Commonwealth of the county in 1882-83, and was elected a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1901-02, without opposition.



Mr. Gillespie was an able lawyer. He and his college-mate, J. W. Chapman, formed a partnership soon after the latter was admitted to the Bar, under the firm name of Chapman & Gillespie, which partnership continued until Mr. Gillespie's death, August 5, 1913. Mr. Gillespie secured and held the confidence of the people generally and of his clients particularly, as but few lawyers have done. No one ever doubted his honesty and integrity or called in question his ability to serve them in any capacity. He was a hard worker and conscientious lawyer. He taught the Men's Bible Class in the Presbyterian Sunday School for many years and he prepared his lessons with the same care that he prepared his cases for court.

Albert P. Gillespie and his brother Joseph Stras were owners of the most extensive farming, grazing and coal lands in the county, and for many years held the position as the two outstanding men of wealth of the county. These brothers were peculiarly devoted to each other and held their vast possessions and transacted their business in partnership during the greater part of their active business lives.

Albert Pendleton and Nancy Letitia Gillespie were the parents of five children, viz:

Nancy Bane, who married Hon. George C. Peery, June 19, 1907. Their children: Albert Gillespie, George C., Jr., and Nancy Letitia.

Joseph Stras, who died July 29, 1895; Albert Jefferson, died April 18, 1914, who married Kate Cecil Peery, 1912.

Mary Olivia, who married Hon. Harris Hart, June 21, 1922. They have two children: Olivia Johnston and Helen Lewis. Mr. Hart is Superintendent of Public Instruction for the State of Virginia. They reside at Richmond, Va.

William M., who married Mary Hamlin Guerrant, June 28, 1916. She is the daughter of William Guerrant and Grand-daughter of Capt. Edward O. Guerrant, who was a Doctor of Medicine; also Doctor of Divinity of the Presbyterian Church. William M. Gillespie was educated at Hampden Sidney College; is a farmer, grazier and stock dealer, and is interested in the following coal operations: Yukon Pocahontas Coal Co., Banner Raven Coal Co., and Prestonsburg Coal Company. He resides on his splendid blue-grass farm about five miles east of the town of Tazewell. They have two children: Lucy Guerrant and Albert Pendleton.

This branch of the Gillespie family of Tazewell County, is descended, on the maternal side, from David and Nannie (Annie) Abbott Johnston.

#### JOHNSTON LINE.

The Scottish Johnston clan appear in history in the 13th century. Their clan badge was the red hawthorne; their motto: "Viva Ut viva". The several variations of the name are, Jonistoun, Jonistown, Johnstone and Johnston. The name is not to be confused with Johnson—Johnson being derived from and means the son of John, while Johnston signifies John's Town; the one shows locality, the other indicates descent.

The chief of the Johnstons was Sir James, who was succeeded by his son James, who was created Lord Johnston in 1633; both were of the Peerage and served in the English House of Lords.

On account of religious persecution, a large number of Johnstons migrated to Ireland. As early as 1700 several of these Johnstons came from Ireland to America, locating in Piedmont, Virginia, along the base of the Blue Ridge, in what is now the counties of Culpeper and Rappahannock, then probably Essex County.

James Johnston, of Fermaugh, had two sons, James and David, the latter born about 1726. The father having died and the estate under the laws belonging to the older brother James, the younger son David, seeing nothing favorable to his remaining in Ireland, at the age of about ten years, viz: about 1736 or 1737, sought an opportunity to join his kinsfolk in America, and succeeded in hiring himself to a ship captain as a cabin boy, and finally landed at Norfolk, Virginia, and made his way across the country to his relations on the waters of the Rappahannock. He became the ancestor of the New River Johnstons. About 1751, he fell in love with and married an Irish girl by the name of Nannie (Annie) Abbott, a daughter of Richard Abbott of Culpepper. David Johnston remained in Culpepper until 1778, and then came across the Alleghanies, settling on the plateau or territory between Big Stony Creek and Little Stony Creek at what is now known as the John Phlegar farm, where he died in 1786, his wife in 1813, and they are both buried on this farm. The house which he built in 1778 is still standing and is no doubt the oldest structure in the county of Giles.

David Johnston and his wife, Nannie (Annie) Abbot Johnston had eight children, viz: James, who married Miss Copley; Sallie,



who married Thomas Marshall; Elian, who married Isaac Chapman; Jemima, who married John Chapman, of Wolf Creek; Virginia, who married Isaac McKensey; *David*, who married Mrs. Sallie Chapman Miller, widow of Jacob Miller; Andrew, who married Jane Henderson of Montgomery County; and Annie, who married George Fry, Jr.

David Johnston and his wife, Mrs. Sallie Chapman Miller Johnston, had two sons and three daughters: Oscar Fitzalan, who married Elizabeth French; Chapman Isaac, who married Elian Chapman Snidow; *Olivia*, who married William M. Gillespie of Tazewell County; Louisa Adeline, who married Colonel Daniel H. Pearis; and Sallie Chapman, who died unmarried.

(See Johnston's History of the Middle New River Settlements).

Thomas H. Gillespie (William, Thomas, Thomas), born November 19, 1812, died October 14, 1894; married Mary Ann Rader, December 24, 1833. She was born November 23, 1816, died February 7, 1890.

Thomas H. Gillespie filled various public official positions in the county. He was commissioner of the revenue for the western district in 1835; was deputy sheriff of the county from 1840 to 1845; was a member of the House of Delegates of Virginia, sessions of 1846-47-48. His various other public services are recorded elsewhere in these Annals.

He united with the Christian (Disciples) Church under the first preaching of Dr. Chester Bullard, early in the beginning of the organization of these congregations in the county. His high standing as a citizen and his zeal as a Christian man were potent in giving strength and inspiration to the Christian cause in this section.

Children of Thomas H. and Mary Ann Rader Gillespie: Nancy J., Robert, George W., Pamela E., James H., Olivia Elizabeth, who died young; John Floyd, Nickitie, Sallie Floyd, Thomas A., and Rees B.

Nancy J. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born October 18, 1834; married John A. McCall, January 25, 1854.

The children: (a) Mollie O. McCall, who married Luther W. Place (children: Vivian and Eva); (b) Thomas E. McCall, who married Zarilda Neel (children: Nannie, Ella, Nickitie, Robert D., George, Clarence, Henry, Roy, Fred, and Grace); (c) John W. McCall, who married Alice Hawkins (children: Herbert W., Eliza-



beth, Nora, Walter, Annie, and Margaret); (d) Jessee McCall, who married Annie Kiser (children: Fred, George Carlton, Evelyn, Victor, Albert, Marshal Howard, Jesse, Jr., and Gertrude); (e) Robert G. McCall, who married Louise Lambert, first wife (children: John M., George William and Cecil); Robert G., married Edna Stephenson, second wife (children: Lucille, Irene, Ruth, Elizabeth, David, James Thomas, Samuel, Bernard, Helen and Jack); (f) Lyde McCall; (g) George R. McCall, who married Exie Stevens (children: George Winfred and Frances Elise); (h) Fannie Amelia McCall, who died young; (i) Nickitie McCall, who married Marshall H. Kiser (one son, Elmer); and (j) James H. McCall.

Robert Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born January 23, 1837; married Kate Vail, March 22, 1859.

Their children: (a) Margaret L. Gillespie, born March 17, 1863, married W. E. Dudley, August 10, 1881, and they had the following children: Katherine Dudley, who married a Philpott (children: Cora Lee, Jessie McKay, and Margaret Louise); James Shelby Dudley, who married ——— (children: Margaret Jewel, James Shelby, Jr., William McGarvey and Thomas Edward); Nellie M. Dudley, who married L. Washington, Jr., (one child, Frances Lackland).

(b) Thomas S. Gillespie, born February 20, 1868, married Daisy Stauber, July 3, 1901. No children: (c) John L. Gillespie, who died January, 1897; Janet K., who married J. W. Baldwin, October 24, 1900. No children; Sallie N. Gillespie, who married A. E. Lusk, October 31, 1894 (children: R. E. Jr., Gertrude, Janet, Fred L., and Shelby Lewis); (f) Nannie L. Gillespie, who married H. L. Baldwin, September 6, 1899 (children: Vernita Vail, who married Carolyn Wilmot—one child, Barbara White; Mamie L., Rees G., deceased, and H. L. Jr.); (g) Mamie Gillespie, who married B. S. Parker. No children. She died December 7, 1913; (h) Ella Fred Gillespie, who married C. M. Bowling, June 25, 1907 (children: Elizabeth and C. M., Jr.).

George W. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born May 9, 1839; died October 5, 1923; married Barbara Emmons Gillespie, first wife (daughter of Wm. M. Gillespie). February 12, 1862. She was born November 26, 1839; died May 28, 1910.

George W. Gillespie succeeded well in a financial way. He was one of the few citizens of Tazewell who visioned the value of our

coal deposits before they passed into the hands of capitalists outside of Virginia. Relying largely upon his judgment, several Tazewell County men joined him in coal land purchases, the present value of which has more than justified the confidence imposed in him by those who knew him best. He also accumulated large areas of the best bluegrass and farming lands in the county. In 1887, he removed, with his family from his country home near Richlands to the town of Tazewell and engaged in the banking business. In 1887, he was cashier of the Bank of Tazewell. In 1894, he was elected President of the Clinch Valley Bank. The Tazewell National Bank was organized in 1902, and George W. Gillespie became its first President, which position he held until his death.

The greatest heritage left to his children did not consist of his accumulation of material things, but his fine intellect, high moral and religious attainments, which were shown as a churchman. His life and influence in this respect reached into his own and other states, wherever the cause of the Disciples of Christ was represented. He was loyal to his church and believed in its mission to unite all Christians under Christ's Universal Lordship. When the history of the Christian Churches of Tazewell is written, he will be given foremost place in the leadership of his people in Tazewell County.

Their children: (a) Robert Kavanaugh Gillespie, born November 24, 1862, died August 1925; married Catherine O'keefe (daughter of Dr. James and Mary Woodram O'Keefe), September 19, 1888. She was born September 16, 1868, died January 5, 1920. Robert K. Gillespie was educated at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va. and Milligan College, Milligan, Tenn. He was a farmer, grazier and stock dealer; a stockholder in Tazewell Street Railway Co., Tazewell Electric Light and Power Co. and Coal Creek Coal Company. Mr. Gillespie was elected Treasurer of Tazewell County in 1893. Their children: Fred O'Keefe; Harvey George, who married Barbara Emmons Hurt, October 1, 1923 (one child, Mary Barbara, born March 13, 1925); Robert Felix; Barbara Emmons, who died young; Mary Barnes; Jessie Louise; Olivia Kate; James Samuel; John Wharton; and Thomas David.

(b) Olivia Louisa Gillespie (daughter of Geo. W.), born January 6, 1865, married John Bascomb Hurt, April 4, 1888. He was born May 12, 1861, died January 26, 1911. He was a merchant, farmer and grazier.



Their children: George William; Margaret Elizabeth; James Robert; Barbara Emmons, who married Harvey George Gillespie, October 1, 1923; Lois; Mary Brittain (twin) Catherine Gillespie (twin); and David Albert.

(c) Mary Amanda Gillespie (daughter of Geo. W.), born February 4, 1867, died April 9, 1910; married H. Peery Brittain, June 24, 1899.

H. Peery Brittain was educated at Tazewell High School and King College, Bristol, Tenn., from which college he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1880. He was county Surveyor for Tazewell; was in the Clerk's Office for two years. In 1897, he was elected Treasurer for Tazewell County, which position he still holds. He was acting Treasurer for four years preceding his election. Although he never believed that slavery was right, he is the youngest living local slaveholder, having been the owner of James Eugene Brittain, who was given him by his grandfather. Mr. Brittain is a stockholder in the following: Sayers Pocahontas Coal Co., Buchanan Coal Co., Banner Raven Coal Co., Bull Creek Coal Co., Tazewell National Bank, and a director in First National Bank of Pocahontas, Virginia.

Nathaniel Brittain, paternal ancestor of H. Peery Brittain, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He was a private in Captain William McCana's Company: "I hereby certify that one Nathaniel Brittain was a private in Captain William McCan's Company, Township of Plumstead, Bucks County, August 21, 1775. See page 332, Vol. 3, Pennsylvania Archives—Fifth Series, H. H. Shenk, Archivist." He was born March 12, 1744, died October 2, 1817, married Jane Simonton, of Wales, 1769. Their son, Robert Brittain was Born December 25, 1781, died February 12, 1857; married Sidney Evans, May 17, 1817, by Rev. T. Hoffaditz, at Richmond, Pennsylvania. She was born July 27, 1793, died December 31, 1846. Their son, Rufus Brittain (father of H. Peery Brittain), was born June 19, 1822, died April 11, 1899; married Sarah Elizabeth Peery (daughter of H. G. Peery of Tazewell, Va.), September 20, 1855. She was born September 6, 1833, died May 13, 1904.

Children of Mary Amanda Gillespie and H. Peery Brittain: Sallie, who married Mark Lewis (son of John and Sabina Wells Lewis), February 2, 1920; Barabara Emmons, who married Alexander G. St. Clair (son of John C. and Annie Bottimore St.



Clair), October 5, 1921; Margaret Elizabeth (deceased), who married Lee Mahan (son of H. B. Mahan), January 6, 1921; Olivia Kate; Rufus; and George Robert ("Buddy").

(d) William Thomas Gillespie (son of Geo. W.), born March 28, 1869; married Sarah Louise Harman (daughter of H. Bane and Mary L. Harman), September 12, 1895. One daughter, Mary Anita, who married Edward Lewis Jackson (son of John E. and Pattie Ellis Jackson), April 4, 1922 (children: Mary Louise, born February 9, 1923, and William Gillespie, born March 10, 1925).

William Thomas Gillespie attended Annapolis Naval Academy from 1883 to 1886, and Milligan College, Tenn, from 1886 to 1888. He began his business career as a clerk in a general merchandise store. In March 1890, he accepted a position as clerk in the Bank of Tazewell, which bank was the first established in Tazewell County after the War Between the States. In January, 1894, the Bank of Tazewell and the Clinch Valley Bank were consolidated under the name Bank of Clinch Valley, with George W. Gillespie, President; Henry Preston, Cashier, and William T. Gillespie, Assistant Cashier. The Tazewell National Bank was organized in 1902, with George W. Gillespie, President; J. William Chapman, Vice President; and William T. Gillespie, Cashier. After the death of George W. Gillespie, October 5, 1923, William Thomas Gillespie was chosen President. He is an officer and director in the following: Tazewell National Bank, Yukon Pocahontas Coal Co., Buchanan Coal Co., Hall Mining Co., Coal Creek Coal Co., Raven Coal Corp., Kennedy Coal Corp., Coal Mountain Mining Co., Tazewell Electric Light and Power Co., and Tazewell Street Railway Co. He is a member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M.; is a Republican, and a member of the Christian (Disciples) Church.

(e) Barnes Gillespie (son of Geo. W.), born October 2, 1871, married Ruth McDowell Pepper (daughter of Charles Taylor Pepper), of Wythe County, Va., June 5, 1901. Their children: Charles Pepper, George William and Barnes, Jr. ("Bub").

Barnes Gillespie was a student at Milligan College, Tenn., for two years; received his Bachelor of Arts degree, cum laude, from Bethany College (W. Va), 1892; member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity; received his LL. B. degree from University of Virginia, 1894. Commonwealth's Attorney for Tazewell County, 1901 to 1904; United States District Attorney for Western District of Virginia, 1910-1914; is one of the leaders of the Republican party of

the state; is a member of the law firm, Greever & Gillespie. Mr. Gillespie is recognized by the bar and by the judges of both federal and state courts of Virginia and West Virginia, as a lawyer of unusual ability. He not only possesses a strong analytical legal mind but his effective arguments before juries is indicated by his success in securing favorable verdicts for his clients. Mr. Gillespie is President of Coal Mountain Mining Co., Banner Raven Coal Corp., and Hall Mining Co.; Vice President, Buchanan Coal Corp.; Secretary, Yukon Pocahontas Coal Co.; Sec'y-Teas., Prestonsburg Coal Co., and Big Sandy Coal & Coke Co.; is a director of Tazewell National Bank; member of the Virginia State Bar Association; and a member of the Christian (Disciples) Church.

(f) Sallie Gillespie (daughter of Geo. W.), born April 4, 1874, died, 1890.

(g) David Clinton Gillespie (son of Geo. W.), born December 13, 1878, married Josephine Thompson Brittain (daughter of Rufus Brittain), August 26, 1911, at Roanoke, Virginia. She was born March 17, 1877.

David Clinton Gillespie moved to Tazewell with his parents from Doran, in 1888. He attended Tazewell College and graduated in 1896 and entered the University of Virginia that fall, from which institution he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1900. During the school terms of 1900 and 1901, he was employed as teacher in Tazewell College. He was a graduate at Johns Hopkins University, returning to the University of Virginia in 1902 to do post graduate work. He left this university in the spring of 1903 for Gottingen University, Gottingen, Germany, where he received his degree, Doctor of Philosophy in 1906, having specialized in Mathematics. He became a teacher in the Mathematics Department of Cornell University in the fall of 1906 and has been in the same school continuously except for one year leave of absence, which he spent in travel and study in England and Europe. Dr. Gillespie is now full professor of Mathematics at Cornell University. He is a recognized leader along literary and educational lines.

(h) Margaret Bowen Gillespie (daughter of Geo. W.), born April 3, 1880, married H. James Kelly (son of Rev. William and Rachel Kelly). Their children: William Gillespie; and Robert Bowen, who died in infancy.

George W. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), married Mrs. Margaret Thompson Ward, second wife.



Pamelia E. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born February 28, 1842, married William M. Witten, December 22, 1857 or 1858.

Their children: Mary; Pamelia; William, who married Fannie Vail (daughter of James H. Vail); James, deceased; Nannie, who married Dr. Winningham; and Thomas, who married and has one son, James.

James H. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born January 8, 1845, died 1925, married Mary E. "Polly" Crockett, September 22, 1865.

James H. Gillespie was a rarely gifted preacher of the Christian Church. He was one of the clearest and most logical expounders of the doctrines and practices of the church of his choice in this section of the country. He traveled on horseback for many years, over this mountain region ministering to the rich and poor without discrimination and without promise or hope of financial reward. He watered his horse at every mountain stream that flows in Tazewell County, and frequently visited and preached in McDowell County, W. Va., and other contiguous counties. The various civil positions he held in the county and his official and military record in the war between the states are elsewhere shown in this volume.

Their children: (a) John Gratton; (b) Margaret, (c) Nannie Lou, (d) Mary Nickati, (e) Eliza Louvenia, (f) Thomas R., (g) Sallie Barbara, (h) Den B., and (i) George W.

(a) John Gratton Gillespie (of Jas. H.), born September 5, 1866, married Sallie A. McMullin, July 29, 1887. Their children: James Harvey, who married Lizelle Witten, May, 1908 (two children: Carl Crockett and James Gratton); Jesse Samuel, who married Brenda Wright, of Lynchburg, Va., June 15, 1921 (one son, Jesse Samuel, Jr.); Thomas Walter, who married Virginia Maxwell, June 11, 1923; (one son, Thomas W. Jr.); Robert G., who married Sallie May Gray, April 19, 1923; Eva; Elma, who married R. C. Pierce—Crockett line gives Robert Pearly—September 11, 1924; Elizabeth; and Bowen.

(b) Margaret Gillespie (daughter of Jas. H.), born October 2, 1867, married John P. McMullin, February, 1892. Their children: James Rees, who married a Miss Daniels; Harvey George; Earnest; Elizabeth, who married Grover L. Strong; Barbara, who married Henry Hall; and Anita, who married Coker Baugh.



(c) Nannie Lou Gillespie (daughter of Jas H.), born April 16, 1869, married James N. Johnson (son of Frank and Julia Ellington, Johnson, grandson of Walter and Mary Barb Johnson, October 6, 1886. He was born January 1, 1863. He came to Tazewell County (from Washington Co.) in 1884, and located on a farm near the present town of Faraday. Mr. Johnson taught several years in the public schools of the county, and preached for various congregations of the Christian Church. In 1895 or 1896, he was elected Commissioner of the Revenue, Jeffersonville District, as a Democrat, when the district was considered safely Republican. In 1907, he became book-keeper for the Bank of Clinch Valley, Tazewell, Va. In 1922 he was chosen Assistant Cashier of said Bank, which duties he still performs with the same fidelity, which has characterized all his services in the various positions he has occupied since he has been a citizen of the county.

Their children: James Vernon, Mary Frances, (deceased); Margaret Ella, who married William Byrd Chapman, June 14, 1923 (one daughter, Alice McDonald); Eunice Eliza; Thomas Everett, who married Anna Smith, April 18, 1924 (one daughter, Agnes Louisa); Joseph Nathan; Nancy Rebekah; Ida Kate; Alice Amelia; George Ben; and Pearl Vail.

(d) Mary Nickati Gillespie (daughter of Jas. H.), born October, 1870, married Ransom Carter, November, 1894. Their children: James Alexander; Reginald, who married Pearl Wagoner; Bryan, who married Ruth Armbrister; Den; Vivian; Gray; Lois; Nancy Carmen; Bernice Ruth; and Ransom, Jr.

(e) Eliza Louvenia Gillespie (daughter of Jas. H.), married J. Frank Alexander (son of J. D. Alexander), June, 1903. Their children: James, Sprole, John and Eleanor.

(f) Thomas R. Gillespie (son of Jas. H.), born April 18, 1875, married Mary Dickenson, 1906. Their children: Mary Ellen. Crockett Harrison and Pauline.

(g) Sallie Barbara Gillespie (daughter of Jas. H.) married Edward Wallace and they had one son, Joseph Robert, who married Frances Scott.

(h) Den B. Gillespie (son of Jas. H.), married Moss Broyles. Their children: Edward, Frank, Charles, Earl, Thomas, Marcus, and Den. B., Jr., Den. B. Gillespie is a minister of the Christian Church and resides at Pocahontas, Virginia.

(i) George W. Gillespie (son of Jas. H.), married Ida Mathena. Their children: Barns, Robert, Margaret, George, Jr., and Williams. George W. Gillespie served for several years as Justice of the Peace for Clear Fork District, Tazewell County.

John Floyd Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born March 14, 1850; married Mary Catherine Graham (daughter of Col. Wm. L. Graham), July 21, 1870.

Their children: (a) Mary Louise; (b) Nannie, who married S. P. Davidson (children: Sanders Graham and Helen); (c) J. Samuel, who married Margaret Crockett, daughter of John I. Crockett, (children: Cynthia Catherine, Paul, Peery, Louise, Elizabeth, Samuel, Willie and John Newton); (d) William Graham, who married Corrie Crockett, daughter of John I. Crockett, (children: George, Marvin, Harry Barns, Margaret, Helen and Evelyn); (e) Thomas H., who married Emma Witten, daughter of S. A. Witten; (f) Robert Archibald, who married Flora Bruce (children: Robert and Mary); (g) Newton Oscar, who married Lotta Jennings (children: Newton J., deceased, and Nancy Catherine); (h) Helen A; (i) John B., who married Uva Steele, daughter of W. B. Steele (children: Catherine Lee, Mary Jane and Johnnie); (j) Charles, who married Cleo Slemper; (k) Ella Smoot; and (l) Bessie Montgomery, who married John Wilson, Jr. (one son, John, 3rd.).

Nickatie Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born November 15, 1852, married Thomas H. Vail, August 28, 1872.

Their children: Mary Bowen, James H., Nannie Mc., Gussie Pearl, and Robert, who went into action during the World War with the American Army in France, and was never heard of afterwards.

Sallie Floyd Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born March 22, 1855, married Thomas M. Hawkins, June 5, 1878. He died February 2, 1925.

Their children: (a) Mary M., who married Rees Bailey (children: Sallie May, who married Lawrence Anderson; Greever; Margaret, who married a Padget; Fred; Louise and Vernon); (b) John Thomas, who married Mollie Peery (children: Margaret, who married John Whitley; John, Jr.; Ralph and Sallie Elizabeth); (c) Fred C., deceased; (d) James H., deceased; (e) Grace, who married James B. Johnson (children: James Robert, Hazel, Thomas



Hawkins and Frank J., twins); (f) Robert K., who married Hortense Graham (one daughter, June ); (g) Samuel, who married Hattie Carter (children: Hattie Grace and Tipton); (h) Vernon, who married Samuel Cecil (children: Jean, Samuel, deceased, Billy, deceased, Frances and Margaret); (i) Nancy, who married Presly Thomas; and (j) Willie Rees, who died young.

Thomas A. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born October 3, 1857, married Margaret Page October 16, 1878.

Their children: James; Mabel; Margaret; Keener; Rees; Mattie and Ollie.

Rees B. Gillespie (Thomas H., William, Thomas, Thomas), born March 8, 1861; married Ella Vernon Shelburn, April 13, 1882. She was born November 1, 1857, died December 19, 1915.

Dr. Rees B. Gillespie was graduated from Medical College of Virginia in 1884, and practiced medicine at Tazewell, Virginia, until April, 1919, at which time he was appointed an Acting Assistant Surgeon in the United States Public Health Service and sent to Alexandria, Louisiana. Was transferred to the Veterans Hospital at Lake City, Florida, and later to Tampa Bay Quarantine, on Mullet Key, at the entrance of the bay into the Gulf of Mexico, where he has been located since July, 1923.

Their children: (a) Vivian, (b) Berkley, and (c) Victor Rees.

(a) Vivian Gillespie married Alex. G. Russell. Their children: Eleanor, Irene, deceased, Alex. G., Jr. and Rees Gillespie.

(b) Berkeley Gillespie married Frances Greer and they have two children: Vivian and Berkeley, Jr. Berkeley Gillespie was educated in the public schools of Tazewell County and at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va. Was engineer in employ of State Highway Commission for several years is now contractor in road building in Virginia.

(c) Victor Rees Gillespie married Lunette Harris, August 11, 1917. He was educated in the public schools of Tazewell County; graduated with B. S. degree from Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, 1916. Was commandant of cadets at Blackstone Military Academy, 1916-1917; Instructor in Mathematics at Marion Institute, 1917-18; Lieutenant U. S. A., and Tactical Officer, Virginia Military Institute, 1918-19; Instructor in Mathematics, Sewanee Military Academy, 1919-20; Commandant Cadets, Castle Heights Military Academy, 1920-25. Received his M. S. degree from Cumberland University, 1925.



Dr. Rees B. Gillespie married Charlotte Henry, daughter of Major R. R. and Lucy Byrd Henry, of Tazewell, Va., second wife, May, 1918. They reside at Tampa Bay Quarantine, Florida.

Rees Bowen Gillespie (William Thomas, Thomas), married Emerine V. Gillespie, December 23, 1861.

Their children: (a) Sallie, who married James B. Painter (children: Jesse, who married and lives in Texas; Warren, who married Kate Ingles, first wife—children: William, Warren, Jr., Mack and Hattie—Warren married Annie Strong, second wife; Lina, deceased, who married Sidney Brown; James A., who married Carrie Priddy; and Charles S., who married and has one child). (b) Mary, who married Calhoun Jackson; (c) Vicie, who married Dr. ——— Jones (children: Margaret, Mary, and perhaps others); (d) Eliza, who married George C. Bailey (children: Margaret, who married James Catron; Mary, who married Chapman Gillespie; Rees, who married May Hawkins; Peery, who married Mollie Bandy, daughter of James Bandy; William, who married a Smith; Sherman, who married Carrie Dye; Jacob, who married a Rasnake; and Ethel, who married Davis Woods); and (e) Elvina, who married William Graham.

After the death of Emerine V. Gillespie, Rees Bowen Gillespie married Linnie Cecil Witten, and they were the parents of six children: (a) Ida Virginia, who married John R. Stone, January, 1892 (one child, Clara); (b) George Dabney; (c) Rachel White, who married John G. Miller, 1886. Their children: John G. Miller, Jr., who married Elizabeth Sue Brown (two children: John G. Miller, 3rd., and Robert); James Wilkerson Miller, who married and has one daughter, Margaret; Andrew Miller, who married John Moore (children: John, Jr. and ———); Cecille Miller, and Ailene Miller; (d) William Wilkerson Gillespie, who married Caroline L. Harry, June 8, 1892. He was engineer for the Norfolk & Western Railroad for twenty-three years, and retired October, 1920. They reside at Connellsville, Pennsylvania. Their children: Cecille, who married Marvin D. Jones, August 16, 1921 (one daughter, Cecille Loraine); William Gibson, and David Beverly; (e) Andrew Joseph, who married Willie Wright, of Alabama. Their children: Willie Cecille, Andrew J., Jr., and Lignon; (f) Frances Moselle, who married Joseph K. Reese, January, 1894. Their children: Andrew Forrest, Clyde, Ida, Mabel, who married Rolfe Rasnake, Frances, Nellie, who married a Blosser, September 29, 1924; and Warren Stone.

Robert Gillespie came from the same section of country as Thomas Gillespie, the pioneer ancestor of the Tazewell County families of that name, whose genealogy is hereinabove given. Robert Gillespie took up his residence in Smythe County, Virginia, and was a prominent farmer and respected citizen of that county until the time of his death. He married a Miss Bates and they had the following children: John, James, Rees, William and David. Most of these sons went west, perhaps to Missouri, and a genealogy of their families is not obtainable. Rees married a Miss Williams and raised a large family. They remained in Smythe County, Virginia, until just before the beginning of the War Between the States, when they moved west.

William H. Gillespie, son of Robert, married Joanna R. Newton. Their children: Polly A. Gillespie, born 1846, married L. W. Hubble and lived in Smythe County. Their children: Mary Lake, Robert, Edna, Emmet, Annie, twin, and Fannie, twin; John W. Gillespie, of whom further; David A. Gillespie, of whom further and R. Lewis Gillespie, of whom further.

"John W. Gillespie, born in Smythe county, Virginia, October 27, 1847, is a son of the late William H. Gillespie, farmer of that county, and grandson of Col. Robert Gillespie of Smythe county. His mother was Joanna, daughter of James Newton, who was long sheriff of Smythe county. The wife of John W. Gillespie, whom he married in McDowell county, West Virginia, August 2, 1882, is Margaret A. Harman, born in Tazewell county, in 1865, and their children are two sons and two daughters: Samuel Gratton, John Newton, Joanna and Emily May. The father of Mrs. Margaret A. Gillespie was E. F. Harman, who died a prisoner of war, in 1864, in the Federal prison at Elmira, New York. Her father's father was Kiah Harman, in his day a very wealthy planter of the valley. Mr. Gillespie had many relatives in the late war, among them his uncle, Kimball Newton, who was killed at Piedmont, in 1864, and another uncle, William H. Newton, who was captured in 1864, and held prisoner thirteen months at Point Lookout. Mr. Gillespie is a farmer of Tazewell county and has been a magistrate of the county for ten or twelve years." (Virginia and Virginians, 1888.) Their children: Samuel Gratt, who married Blanche Keezee; J. Newton, who married a Miss Cregar; Joanna, who married Baxter Harman; Emily May, who married a Mr. Kinzer; Grace, deceased; Bertie, who married Raleigh Yost; Robert Henry, who married Nell Howery; and Irby H., deceased.



David A. Gillespie (son of Wm. H., of Robert), born September 22, 1850, married Mary E. Walker. Their children: Catherine, who married J. E. Ritter; Minnie, who married William Kell; William H., who married a Miss Akers; Roxie, who married Earl Crider; Bettie, who married E. K. Bailey; Orrie, who married C. Smith; and J. S.

R. Lewis Gillespie (son of Wm. H., of Robert), born April 20, 1853, married Nancy E. Greever, daughter of John J. Greever, January 14, 1875. They reside at Bluefield, Virginia (formerly Graham, Va.). He is a prominent, public spirited citizen in this community. He was postmaster for the town of Graham for twelve years; served two terms as constable, having been once elected and once appointed to that office. Their children: Nora A., who married W. H. Newberry (one daughter, Maiola); Margaret, who married S. N. Worley, June 12, 1901 (children: Samuel Lewis, and Charles Chapman); Ella K., who married C. A. Worley (one daughter, Annie Kate); Sarah A., who married R. A. Wells (children: Russell A., Jr., and Lewis Gillespie); and Leola, who married R. H. Peery (children: Charles William and Anna Marguerite).

Nancy J. Gillespie (daughter of Wm. H., of Robert), born 1855, married William Reece. Their children: Sallie, Mollie, Nannie, William, and Pierce.

### THE GOSE FAMILY.

One of the pioneers of Burke's Garden was Philip Gose. He brought the first wagon to that section, at which time he was living near Ceres, Bland County (then Wythe County), Virginia. The few settlers then living in the Garden and those near Ceres met and made the road as they came. They hitched three teams to a wagon and came straight up a ridge to the top of Brushy Mountain, then cut down a tree and fastened it to the wagon and went down a hollow and straight up a ridge to the top of Burke's Garden mountain, cut down another tree and fastened it to the rear of the wagon and went down the hollow which is known as Walker's Gap, the southwest end of the Garden.

There were four Gose brothers who came from Pennsylvania into the Valley of Virginia. During the latter part of 1700, they came from the Valley to Southwest Virginia. Philip and Peter Gose settled in Burke's Garden; George on Cripple Creek, in Wythe County; and Stephen at Castlewood, in Russell County.



Philip Gose, born June 8, 1774; died January 4, 1832; married Elizabeth Spangler, May 24, 1795. She was born October 13, 1778; died August 31, 1845.

When a little girl, Elizabeth Spangler, upon going to the spring after a bucket of water, saw Indians hiding behind an old root head, but thinking she would be laughed at, did not mention it to the older folks at the house. If she had, in all probability, the Sluss family would not have been massacred, which occurred in a short while. Elizabeth Spangler was one of five sisters—four marrying and settling in Burke's Garden. One married George Spracher, one Mathias Fox, one George Rhudy, and Elizabeth married Philip Gose.

There was some romance in connection with their moving into Burke's Garden. Mrs. Gose did not want to make the change, but her husband told her to come over with him and if she did not say it was pretty, he would not ask her to move. He waited until about the first of June when the valley was a mass of flowers before bringing his wife there. She, of course, had to admit it was beautiful. About 1799 they located on the north side of Burke's Garden near where John P. Gose now resides. They selected this cove facing south, fair to the sun and sheltered from the northwest winds, which is one of the most beautiful locations in the Garden.

Mrs. Gose was an educated woman, as evidenced by books now in possession of her grandson, John P. Gose. For years she was the only doctor in that section, and often made trips across the mountain to Wolf Creek. She was followed one night by a panther.

Children of Philip and Elizabeth Spangler Gose: Peter, Ann, Stephen, Margaret, Catherine, Sarah, David, Elizabeth, Polly, George and Archibald, who died February 1828, when two years of age.

Peter Gose (son of Philip), born December 18, 1796; died October 24, 1864; Married Isabella Cimbraugh, 1817. They had one son, William.

Ann Gose (daughter of Philip), born May 15, 1798; died April 23, 1857; Married Thomas Peery, May 7, 1818. They had six children: Jesse, Evangeline, Stephen, Sallie, Archibald and Thomas.

Jesse Peery (son of Ann Gose, Philip) had the following children: Victoria, John, James T., Stephen, Lettie and Edward. Victoria Peery married H. C. Groseclose and they had the following children: Ina, who married Dr. E. W. Peery (four children: Hen

rietta, Clara, Elizabeth (deceased) and Willis); Henrietta Groseclose married George B. Gose (one child, Margaret Peery Gose); Walter Groseclose; Jennie Groseclose, Annie Groseclose, who married C. Henry Peery; Jessie Groseclose; and Henry Groseclose.

Stephen Gose (son of Philip), born November 22, 1799; married Elizabeth Fox, March 24, 1824.

Their children: Barbara, Polly, Malinda, Stephen, who died young; Margaret, and Elizabeth, who married Andrew Bolling. They had one son, Andrew Stephen Bolling, who married Lena May Wynn (two sons, Ira and John Bolling).

Margaret Gose (daughter of Philip), born November 9, 1801; married Joseph Peery, March 30, 1820. See Peery line.

Catherine Gose (daughter of Philip), born May 8, 1803; married John Lowder, October 7, 1825. They had three children: Fielding, David and Gabriel.

Fielding Lowder (Catherine Gose, Philip) married Mackey Davis, 1870. Their children: Kittie Gose, and others.

David Lowder (Catherine Gose, Philip), married Matilda Heninger. Their children: (a) Mary Lowder, who married Joseph Young (children: Charles, Sue, Benson, John, Eustace, and Georgia); (b) James Erastus Lowder, who married Polina Lewis (daughter of William and Elizabeth Kimball Lewis). Their Children: Mary Virginia, who married Harry Launcelot Buston (son of George and Ellen Barker Buston), October 22, 1906 (three children: Virginia, Harry L., Jr. and Jack); Matilda Josephine, who married George W. Fox (son of John and Sarah Crisman Fox); Lavalette who married R. Lane Ireson; and William Garland; (c) Philip Lowder; (d) Sarah Lowder, who married Robert Dinsdale; (e) William Lowder; (f) Frances Lowder; who married Chris. Geisler; (g) Letitia Lowder, who married a Ritter; (h) Virginia Lowder, who married Ave Cleverly; and (i) Jed Lowder, who died young. All went to Idaho except James Erastus Lowder.

Gabriel Lowder (Catherine Gose, Philip) married Harriet Heninger. Their children: Grant, Reese, Simon, Clementine, who married Dan Owens; and Bettie, who married a Cleverly.

Sarah Gose (daughter of Philip), born April 6, 1805; married Peter Litz, April 8, 1824. (See Litz line for their genealogy).

David Gose (son of Philip) born January 14, 1807; married Elizabeth Peery, February 18, 1830. David Gose was one of the magistrates when the county court was composed of three sitting



magistrates. Their children: Sophia Gose, born May 3, 1832; married David Denny (two children: Philip Gose and Malinda Peery, both children died in infancy); Malinda Gose and Philip Gose.

Elizabeth Gose (daughter of Philip), born November 14, 1808; married Samuel Sayers, January 12, 1830.

Their children: Robert, John and Lucy, who married a Harrison (children: Ella, Lucy, and four sons, whose names are not obtainable). Samuel Sayers moved to Missouri about 1860, taking seventy-five slaves with him. At one time he owned the home farms of Robert and Joseph Meek, J. Meek Hoge, and a large part of the R. M. Lawson land.

Polly Gose (daughter of Philip), born June 29, 1818; married John Romans, October 22, 1836.

Their children: George, Albert, and Susan, and perhaps others. John Romans moved to Missouri about the time Samuel Sayers went there.

George Gose (son of Philip), born January 28, 1822; died November 24, 1890; married Catherine Groseclose (daughter of John), September 16, 1846.

Their children: Three sons who died in infancy, and John Philip.

John Philip Gose (George, Philip), born October 4, 1866; married Margaret G. Snap (daughter of Philip and Mary Meek Snapp), March 9, 1890. John Philip Gose is a farmer, grazier, and manufacturer, and resides at Burke's Garden, Virginia.

Their children: Marie Katrina, who married Rice H. Thomas, June 8, 1921; George B., who married Henrietta Peery, April 21, 1921 (one daughter Margaret Peery); Charles J., who married Olive Owens, October 14, 1919 (one daughter, Marie Elizabeth); J. Paul; Nello M.; Jesylene; Jean Vernon; Virginia Ernestine, who died in infancy; and Ralph Robert.

George B. Gose (of John P.) was called to Camp Humphries, August 17, 1918. He served at the base port of St. Nazarre, France, from the latter part of October, 1918, until July, 1919.

Charles J. Gose (of John P.) entered the services at Camp Lee, Virginia, October, 1917. He was made corporal a few days after reaching camp; and was made sergeant in a short while. He went to France with the 80th Division in June, 1918; served nine days on the front; went over the top and spent a night in "No Man's Land". Upon his return to the lines, he was sent to the officers'



training camp and got his commission as lieutenant, and was transferred to the 5th Division. He was at Verdun on the last day of fighting, November 11, 1918. After the armistice was signed, he was sent with the army of occupation into Luxemburg, and was there until May, 1919.

George Gose (son of Philip) built the residence where his only son now lives. The house was built in 1846, and was the first frame house built in Burke's Garden. Today this home is a modern residence with all electric appliances. George Gose brought the first carriage and mowing machines into that section. Maintaining the pioneer characteristics of his ancestors, John P. Gose brought the first automobile into Burke's Garden. He put in the first roller process flour mill that was installed in the county; and has harnessed the water in the gap to furnish light and power for the Garden and surrounding community.

George Gose served in the War Between the States, with the rank of Captain, organizing the company which became Company "C," 45th Virginia Regiment of Infantry. In 1862, he was transferred to Derrick's Battalion serving there about a year, and was then on detached duty for several months; after which time he served in the 22nd Virginia Cavalry until the close of the war.

George Gose (brother of Philip) settled on Cripple Creek, in Wythe County, Va., about 1799. He married ——— Spangler, sister of Catherine, who married Philip Gose. (Their children: George, David and Stephen).

George Gose (son of George) married Mary Porter Scott in 1832.

Their children: Sarah Jane Gose, who married Stephen Groseclose. (Their children: Poppie, who married John Kelly, son of Judge John A. Kelly; Sophia; Ann; Stephen; Mitchell; William; Caroline; and Annie); Bettie A. Groseclose, who has taught in the public schools of Tazewell County for twenty-five years; Alice Groseclose (deceased); and William Groseclose, who married Edna Sprinkle of Smythe County, Va.

Stephen Gose (brother of George, Philip and Peter), who settled at Castlewood, Russell County, Va., about 1780, had sons, George, Christopher and other children, whose genealogies we have been unable to obtain.

George Gose (son of Stephen) married ——— Jesse (first wife). Their children: Aaron, Frances, Tempy, Annie, a daughter, who married James Gilmer and went West; a daughter, who married Bonapart Gray they had one son, William, who married Alice Aston); and two other children, whose names are not obtainable.

Aaron Gose (son of George of Stephen) married Nancy Dickenson, December 27, 1842. Their children: (a) Charles F. Gose, who married Elizabeth Lytton. They have one daughter, Grace Neal, who married Wade T. Dickenson (two children: Audrey and Charles Gose); (b) Mary Gose, who married Charles Bickley, deceased (three children: Edgar Gose, Aaron Hatler and Irene Elizabeth); (c) Elizabeth Gose, who married William Gray, deceased, (five children: Nannie, deceased, Margaret, deceased, Walter Gose, Alice, and Nell Gray); (d) Priscilla Gose, who married Dr. Edward K. Harding, December 15, 1874 (ten children: Thomas Kernan, Charles Kelly, Edward Gose, William Aaron, Benjamin Harrison, Mary Alice, Nancy Alderson, Virginia Elizabeth, Catherine Carter and Driscilla Long).

Frances Gose (daughter of George of Stephen) married Charles H. Gilmer. Their children: (a) John Gilmer, who married Mary Henson; (b) Ellen Gose Gilmer, who married Harvey Shoemaker of Scott County, Va. They have one son, John Shoemaker; (c) Catherine Gilmer, who married William Howard. They have a son, Charles and others; (d) Tempy Gilmer, who married James Dickenson (children: Fortis, who married Clarence Bundy; Mabel, who married a Patterson; Blanche, who married a Kidd; Zollie; Frances; Louise; Beecher; Hunter; and Russell); (e) Windham Gilmer, who married a Clapp (first wife). They had one daughter, Louise Walton, who married a Hankla: Windham Gilmer married Margaret Cecil (second wife). They had a son, Howard, and others; (f) Arnold Gilmer, who married Rachel Cecil; (g) George Gilmer, who married and had Elizabeth, Dora, Otto and other children; (h) Dr. Scott Gilmer, who married Nancy Henson; and (i) Frances Gilmer, who married William Henson, who represented Russell County in the Virginia Legislature. Their children: Nancy Scott, who married William Buckles; Ruby and Pearl (twins).

Tempy Gose (daughter of George, Stephen) married Axley Gilmer. Their children: (a) Benton Gilmer, who married a Smith; (b) Smith Gilmer, who married Ellen Frick (first wife)



and Mary Gilmer (second wife); (c) Dr. George Gilmer, who married a Horton; (d) Eliza Gilmer, who married Thomas Dickenson (children: Mollie, Callie, who married Gilmer Shoemaker; George; and Thula, who married George Jessee).

Annie Gose (daughter of George, Stephen) married Robert Burk. Their children (a) Bary Burk, who married Beverly J. Fuller (children: George, who married Nancy Harman; Maria, who married Taylor Browning; and Anne, who married Hezekiah Harman); and (b) Thomas Burk, who married and went to Texas.

George Gose (son of Stephen) married Elizabeth Cowan (second wife). Their children: George Cowan, Martha "Patsy", Mary, and Charles Gilmer.

George Cowan Gose (son of George, Stephen) married Marie L. Fuller, April 17, 1850. He was a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, from Russell County, session 1883-1884.

Their children: (a) Charles J. Gose, who was a member of the Virginia Senate, 3rd Senatorial District, sessions 1889 to 1892. He also represented Russell County in the Virginia House of Delegates one term. Mr. Charles J. Gose recently looked up an old land grant to Stephen Gose (his grandfather) for one hundred acres of land on Elk Creek in Montgomery County (now Grayson) dated in 1789 and written on parchment or sheep skin, and signed by Governor Brooks. Stephen Gose came to Russell County soon after this date, where he acquired considerable land and slaves. (b) George Gose (of Geo. Cowan) died in infancy; (c) James Buchanan Gose, who married Fannie Shoemaker (children: James, Scott, and Giles); (d) Mary E. Gose, who married William P. Roller (children: Charles, deceased, Margaret, Clyde, Ella and John); (e) Robert Lee Gose, who married Nancy Gibson; (f) Louise; (g) Dr. Ira F., deceased, who married Willie Sallee and went West; and (h) W. C., deceased, who married Mary Hartsook.

#### LEECE-MAY LINE.

Martha M. "Patsy" Gose (daughter of George, Stephen), married William Leece, October 5, 1853. He was born August 11, 1826, and was the son of Samuel and Jane Gray Leece, (daughter of James Gray), who were married December 11, 1823. William Leece was the grandson of Jacob Leech (or Leece).

Jacob Leech (or Leece) came from Ireland and settled in Rockbridge County, Virginia. His son Samuel, and three sisters:



Nancy, who married Shadrach Williams, a Primitive Baptist preacher; Margaret, who married George Finney; and Vicie, who married Marion Powers, came to Russell County, from Rockbridge County—walking all the way and with few possessions except a rifle. Samuel traded the gun for a cow and later traded the cow for forty acres of land two miles west of Lebanon. He was born in 1800 and when he died he was a large land owner. Samuel and Jane Gray Leece had seven children: (a) William N. Leece, who married Martha Gose (see further); (b) Bettie Leece, who married Benjamin Whetsell; (c) Vicie Leece, who died unmarried; (d) Jane Leece, who married Henry Gibson (children: Charles, Alexander, Henry, Samuel, Margaret, Florence, Mollie and Lillie); (e) Alexander Leece, who married Annie Woods (children: James, John and Lillie); (f) Margaret Leece, who married George Sanders; and (g) Samuel Leece, Jr., who married Margaret Thompson.

\*Children of Martha Gose and William N. Leece: Charles, Jane, Mariamne "Mollie", William, Jr., and Martha.

(a) Charles Leece, born March 18, 1855; married Alice Hayter (daughter of Ed. and Louisa Bowen Thompson Hayter), 1879. Their children: Louise Leece, who married John Gildersleeve, September 12, 1906 (one daughter, Ruth); Lillie, who married Oscar George, June 12, 1907 (children: Thomas Edwin, Oscar, Jr., and Alice Hayter); and Mattie Belle, who married S. Early White, June 6, 1916 (one daughter, Nellie Alice).

(b) Jane Leece, born April 24, 1856, married Stephen Bundy. Their children: William D., who married Margaret Moore (children: Paul, Jessie, Jack, Kate Lee, and Clara); Clarence Bundy, who married Fortis Dickenson (children: Clarence, Jr., Daniel, Virginia, and Dorothy); John Bundy, who married Mary Bundy (five children); Patrick Bundy, who married Mary Lynch (children: Ellen and Jean); and Katherine Bundy, who died young.

(c) Mariamne "Mollie" Leece, born December 16, 1858; died April 19, 1896; married Samuel Davidson May, October 14, 1881. He was born January 17, 1856; died April 11, 1913.

Their children: Margaret, who married James Howell Hardy, May 9, 1906 (children: Katherine Eleanor, Samuel Lacy, J. Howell, Jr., and Margaret May); Mary Matilda "Doll" May, who married Ernest Rucker Burks, May 13, 1911 (children: Ernest R., Jr., and Leighton Jackson); Andrew Jackson May, who married

\* For corrections on this family, see page 430 a.

Esther Daugherty February 14, 1924 (one daughter, Patricia Anne); William Leece May, who married Anne P. Davis, September 22, 1922 (children: William L. Jr., and Robert Lagard); Cecil May, who died in infancy; and Samuel Davidson May, Jr., who married Mary Mariah Brown (daughter of Rev. Charles R. and Sarah Cooper Brown), March 29, 1919 (children: Sarah Cooper and Mariamne).

Samuel Davidson May was an able lawyer. He and his father practiced law under the firm name of "A. J. and S. D. May" until his father's death, after which he continued to practice until his death in 1913. For resolutions passed by the bar, at the time of his death, see page 132. Inspired by the highest ideals of his profession, his unswerving fidelity to his client's interests, his incorruptible honesty, and his amiable disposition made him one of the outstanding characters of the community, who enjoyed the love and esteem of all who came in contact with him. He had no enemies. Samuel Davidson May married Mattie Maybell Shelburne, second wife, October, 1903 (children: Frank Shelburne, Helen, Byrd, and George Clark). Samuel Davidson May was the son of Colonel Andrew Jackson and Matilda Davidson May.

#### COL ANDREW JACKSON MAY.

"The genealogy of Colonel May's family in America is thus traced: John May, Leonard May and Thomas May immigrated to Maryland from Germany in colonial days. (This Thomas May finally settled in Buckingham county, Virginia). John May, son of the above John May, was born near Baltimore, and married Sarah, daughter of Thomas Phillips. Their issue was seven children, viz: John, Samuel, Daniel, Elizabeth, Mary, Reuben and Pollard. This John May moved from Maryland to North Carolina, thence to Tennessee, thence to Kentucky, where he settled in the year 1800. Samuel, the second son, was born in 1782. He married Katherine, daughter of Thomas Evans, who came to Virginia from Wales. She was born in the State of Virginia, on the Monongahela river, in 1790, and died in Lawrence county, Kentucky. Samuel May died in Placerville, California, on February 27, 1851. These were the parents of the subject of this sketch, and he was born near Prestonburg, Floyd county, Kentucky, on January 28, 1829.



"In Morgan county, Kentucky, in August and September, 1861, he organized a company for service in the Confederate States army, was elected captain of the company, and with it mustered into service in October, 1861, the company becoming Company A, 10th Kentucky Infantry. In February, 1862, was appointed lieutenant-colonel. When the army was reorganized in 1862, he was elected colonel of the same regiment, with which he served until the term of service of the men expired. In the winter of 1862-3, he organized the 10th Kentucky Cavalry, ten companies, five companies Virginians, five Kentuckians, and of this regiment he was colonel until in August, 1864, he was forced to resign on account of sickness. Colonel May is now a resident of Tazewell C. H., Virginia, engaged in the practice of the law. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity.

"In Floyd county, Kentucky, April 26, 1855, he married Mary Matilda Davidson, who was born in that part of Tazewell county, Virginia, now included in Mercer county, West Virginia. Their children were born in the order named: Samuel Davidson, James A., Andrew Jackson, Mary Catharine, Bird and Evans Lackey. Two died in childhood, James on December 19, 1862; Evans on August 29, 1884. The remaining children all live in Tazewell C. H.

"Mrs. May is a daughter of Samuel P. Davidson and Judith Davidson, nee Lackey. Her father, born in Tazewell county, Virginia, on January 1, 1800, moved to Floyd county, Kentucky, where he married Judith, daughter of General Alexander Lackey, whose wife was Mary, daughter of Col. William Morgan. Samuel P. Davidson was a son of Joseph Davidson, who came from Ireland to that part of Tazewell county, now Mercer county, and there married Matilda Patton." From *Virginia and Virginians*, Vol. 2, pp. 852-3.

Colonel Andrew Jackson May's splendid record as a soldier and officer of the forces of the Confederacy deserves a place in history alongside that of the best in the service. After the war, Colonel May removed to Russell county, Virginia, and then later to the town of Tazewell, where he took his place as one of the foremost lawyers practicing at the Tazewell Bar, and continued in the legal profession until a short time before his death. He was counted among the most loyal and honored citizens of the county and was held in high esteem in the community. Perhaps his kindness to the needy and his liberality in all charitable works were his most



outstanding traits among the people. (For resolutions passed by the Tazewell Bar on the death of Col. May, see page 114). Children of Col. A. J. and Matilda Davidson May: Samuel Davidson, who married Mariamne Leece (first) and Mattie Maybelle Shelbourne (second); Andrew Jackson, Jr., who married Lucy Spotts (children: Andrew; Jean, who married Dr. Thomas Johnston; Samuel Byrd; Donald Graham, deceased, and Edwin); Mary, who married Joseph Kelly (first) two children: May and Byrd. Mary married Wade H. Steele (second) one daughter, ———; Byrd, who married R. Cecil Chapman, one son, William Byrd. Colonel May married Nellie B. Davidson (second wife), and they were the parents of one son, Colonel.

(d) William Leece, born December 12, 1861, married Nancy Kelly, January 1, 1894. Their children: Martha, Samuel, Margaret, and Charles William.

(e) Martha Leece, married James E. Peery. Their children: Albert, Louise, Mary May, deceased, and Ward. See Peery Line.

Mary Gose (daughter of George, Stephen), married John Chaffin.

Charles Gilmer Gose (son of George, Stephen), married Mary Banner. Their children: George B., John A., Early, Alma, who married Dr. B. N. Stallard, and Lillie, who married Harry Stallard. Charles Gilmer Gose lived to be eighty-six years old. In 1863, he enlisted in the Confederate Army and served throughout the war in the Virginia Infantry.

Christopher Gose (son of Stephen), is found in the court records of Russell County, Va., about 1800. He married ——— Litz.

Their children: Stephen, Nancy, and perhaps others.

Stephen Gose (Christopher, Stephen) married Annie Reynolds. Their children: Henry, William, Christopher, James, George H., Nathaniel D., Stephen, Nancy, Sarah Jane, Rebecca, and Patsy.

(a) Henry Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen) married Mary Meade. Their children: George C., who married Lulu Hurt (children: Elizabeth, Dora, Margaret, George, and Mattie); William, who married a Miss Ascue (first) and a Miss McGraw (second) (children: Robert and Margaret); James N., who married a Miss Bradshaw; Walter C., who married Mattie Grant, daughter of Dr. Grant; Cora, who married a Mr. Monk; Ella, who married John Lane; and Mattie, who married Charles Woltz.

(b) William Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen) married a Miss Graham.

(c) Christopher Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), married a Miss Hendricks. One son, Stephen Christopher, who married Margaret Marshall (children: Rev. William, who married Gertrude Porter; Cora and Myrtle).

(d) James Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen) married a Miss Jesse and moved to Kentucky.

(e) George Hopkins Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), born October 11, 1834; died September 28, 1914; married Nellie Lee. Their children: Stephen Christopher, who married Betty Gibson, daughter of Dr. S. W. Gibson (children: Samuel H., who married Monica Huettel—one daughter Peggy Marie; William Gibson; Nancy Elizabeth; and Lee Otey); G. Cowan, who married Maude Gilmer, daughter of Capt. A. P. Gilmer (children: Helyn, R. Kyle, and Eva); Robert Walter, who married Octavia Frances Gilmer, daughter of Capt. A. P. Gilmer (children: Frances, Browning, Nellie, Carroll, and R. W., Jr.); Margaret A., who married Charles W. Banner (children: John G., who married Mrs. Madge Kennedy—one son, John, Jr.; William Cowan, who married Virginia Stanley); Nancy D., who married Charles Jones (children: Louise, who married David D. Cox—four children: Lucille, Thelma and Ruth, twins, and Ann; George Frank, who married Elizabeth ———; and Margaret, who married Rush Adams); and Mary Henrietta.

(f) Nathaniel D. Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), born April 9, 1836; died June 3, 1905; married Rebecca Williams (first wife). Their children: Nancy: who died young; and William Hopkins.

William Hopkins Gose married Georgia A. Lee (daughter of Col. A. M. Lee). Their children: Ruby L., who married W. Hicks Horne, Norton, Va. (children: Ira, Nancy, Earl, Katherine, William, Thelma, Fred, and Romey J.); Roy H. (twin), who married Ina Johnson (children: Georgia, Rateliff, and Raymond); Romey S. (twin), who married Mamie Ireson (one son, Aubrey Crafton); J. Earl, who married Mamie .....; Eliza B., who married David S. Hunt (children: David S., Jr., and Dorris); and William Hopkins, who married Edna ———.

(f) Nathaniel D. Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen) married Ellen Willis (second wife) and they had one child, Ella May, who married Austin Peters (children: Gose, Ottis, and others).



(g) Stephen Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), married and located at Tazewell, Tenn. Their children: Sara Jane, James, George, John K., Celia, Mattie, Thomas J., Sterling P., Auda J., and Charles F.

(h) Nancy Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), married W. Reeves Meade. Their children: Robert C. Meade, who married Jennie Williams (two children: Thelma and Robert); Charles Gose Meade, who married Sallie Stallard; Walter R. Meade; and Jennie Meade, who married Robert L. Smith (three children: Nancy, Nora and Lucille).

(i) Sara Jane Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen) married C. C. Meade. One daughter, Nancy, who married Thomas A. Clark.

(j) Rebecca Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), married James L. Williams. One son, Stephen Andy, who married Kate Gibson (children: William, Thomas, Gose, and Lawrence).

(k) Patsy Gose (Stephen, Christopher, Stephen), married a Mr. Counts and located in Kentucky.

Nancy Gose (Christopher, Stephen), married Valentine Bush. Their children: Pack, George, William, Stephen, James, Fernim, Jane, who married a Mr. Richmond; ———, who married a Mr. Smith; and Eliza, who married a Mr. Frazier.

Peter Gose (brother of Philip, Stephen and George), born January, 1785; died April, 1839; married Nancy B. ———.

Peter Gose was a captain in the War of 1812. They lived in Burke's Garden. We have been unable to get further genealogy of Peter Gose and his descendants except that he died in 1839, leaving his widow, Nancy B., and the following children: Peter S., Jacob, Amanda V., Theressa, who married Cornelius McGuire, November 1, 1827; Catherine, who married Alexander Suiter, November 13, 1828; Sarah (Sallie), who married Miles Claypool, March 1, 1838; Grazilda, who married Robert R. Montague, June 1, 1841; William H., Polly, and Rebecca.

#### SAMUEL CECIL GRAHAM, TAZEWELL, VA.

*4th from*

Robert Graham and his wife, Mary Craig, who came to America in 1770 from the north of Ireland where their forebears had taken refuge when expelled from Scotland for religious opinion.

Their son, Samuel Graham, was born on the Atlantic during the voyage. They settled in Wythe County, Virginia.



His second wife was Mary Cowan, by whom he had six children, was the first elder of Hope Presbyterian Church, served in Revolutionary War, but no record kept.

*3rd. from*

Samuel Graham, born on Atlantic, 1770, died 1835, in Smyth County, Virginia. Member of Virginia Legislature. Major in War of 1812. Married Rachel Montgomery who was the daughter of John Montgomery and Nancy Ann Crockett. They had thirteen children. John Montgomery came directly from Scotland when about fifteen and married Nancy Ann Crockett, prior to 1750. Went with Gen. George R. Clark's campaign in the Western territory. Was in the Revolution, 4th Va. Regiment, Magistrate in Wythe County. Rachel Montgomery born Fort Chiswell, Wythe County, October 2, 1779, died October 10, 1843, at Chatham Hill, Virginia.

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Robert Craig Graham, seventh child of Major Samuel and Rachel Montgomery, born Black Lick, Wythe County, May 26, 1814; died in Tazewell County, March 31, 1885. Moved to Tazewell County in 1837. Lived a quiet, uneventful life as a merchant and farmer; was an athlete, fond of sports and especially of hunting. Full of humor and very popular. He married first, Elizabeth Peery Witten, by whom he had three children: Samuel Cecil, Rebecca and Rachel. His wife, Elizabeth Peery Witten was the daughter of William Witten and Jane Peery. William Witten was a farmer and grazier of Tazewell County, Virginia. English ancestry, who first settled in Cecil County, Md. Man of great energy, fierce temper, very bright and quick. A violent Whig. Jane Peery, daughter of James Peery of Abb's Valley. Her mother was daughter of Col. Joseph Peery who was murdered by the Indians about 1790, near Rocky Gap, Bland County, Virginia. Elizabeth Peery Witten, born January 26, 1826; died April 7, 1856.

Robert Craig Graham, married second, Cynthia Ann McDonald in 1858 who was born in Wyoming County, West Virginia, March 10, 1833, died March 1, 1880. Issue Charles McDonald Graham.

Judge Samuel Cecil Graham, born at Bluestone, Tazewell County, Virginia, January 1, 1846; died at City Point, Florida, January 11, 1923. Served in C. S. A. 1863-65 (thrice wounded). Emory and Henry College ex-70. (Kappa Sigma) member of law

firms: Henry & Graham, Graham & Hawthorne, Graham & Bowen; Judge, County Court, 1874 to 1880. President Virginia State Bar Association, 1902-3. Commandant Browne-Harman Camp, U. C. V. at time of death. Master Tazewell Lodge No. 62 A. F. & A. M. from June 1880 to June 1881. Member Westmoreland Club, Richmond, Va. Married first, Anna Elizabeth Spotts, October 16, 1872, who was born August 5, 1854, died September 6, 1895. (she was the daughter of Washington Spotts of Tazewell and Jane Lavinia Preston Kelly, daughter of Alexander Kelly of Washington County, Virginia.) To them were born four children: Jessie Montgomery Graham, Tazewell, Virginia; Jean McDonald, who married Clinton Maury Kilby on June 11, 1912. They now live at Lynchburg, Virginia, where Mr. Kilby is Professor of Physics and Astronomy, at Randolph Macon Woman's College; Robert Spotts Graham, graduate of Hampden Sidney College (1902), Law School, University of Virginia, (1906) Lawyer and Coal Operator in Norton, Virginia, where he married Anne Fleming, daughter of Robert Fleming and Christine Barrowman of Norton, both natives of Scotland.

Samuel Graham, married June 25, 1914, Ruth Flanery, daughter of Creed F. and Sarah E. Flannery, of Wise, Virginia, is a Mining Engineer at Sharples, West Virginia.

Judge Samuel Cecil Graham married second, Minnie Cox, Richmond, Virginia, daughter of Capt. Henry Winston Cox and Martha Hannah Wooldridge. Capt. Henry W. Cox, son of Judge James H. Cox of Chesterfield Co. and Capt. C. S. A., moved to Missouri in 1872 and was professor of Mathematics and French in School of Mines and Metallurgy in Rolla, Md.

Minnie Cox, born September 25, 1862, in Chesterfield County, Virginia, died April 21, 1911, at Tazewell, Virginia, was a cultured and public spirited woman, organized Tazewell Chapter, U. D. C. and Woman's Club of Tazewell, married S. C. Graham, June 2, 1898. To them was born one daughter, Katherine Elizabeth Graham, who married John White Stuart, farmer, son of Dale Carter and Sallie White Stuart, of Rosedale, Russell County, Virginia. (Two children.)

Judge Samuel Cecil Graham married third, Claire Guillaume of Richmond, Virginia, daughter of Samuel Guillaume and Clarisse Lesueur. Samuel Guillaume was of Huguenot descent, his early ancestors having followed Henri of Navarre to Paris. At time of Revocation of edict of Nantes, family fled to Switzerland, where



for four generations they lived in Canton of Vand., born August 6, 1821, at Vevey, Switzerland, died August 6, 1913, came to New York when 21 years of age, where for many years he was an importer of French goods. Clarisse Lesueur, daughter of St. Ange Lesueur and Adelaide Dufriche, a journalist and man of letters, born at Evreux, France, August 12, 1827, died in Richmond, Virginia, November 7, 1908, was a woman of rare culture and charm. Claire Guillaume was born in Lyons, France, brought up in New York and moved to Richmond, Virginia, when about grown. Married Judge Graham in 1912. She died in Richmond in 1924, and was buried at Tazewell, Va.

"Virginia: at a county court for Tazewell County held at the courthouse on Thursday, the 11th day of December, 1879.

Present: Hon. Samuel C. Graham, Judge, Presiding.

As this is the last court to be held by the present Judge thereof, he considers that it would not be out of place before retiring to enter of record his unfeigned thanks to the bar of this place for the profound respect and courtesy, which have been shown him during his term of office. He gladly avails himself of this opportunity to publicly record that during the term of six years, which he has had the honor to occupy this bench, that there has not been one word, or even an act of disrespect towards him from the youngest to the oldest member. Being young and inexperienced when he came to the bench, he here wishes to record his gratitude to the bar for the great assistance which they certainly have rendered him in the upright frank and manly performance of their duties as lawyers. To sever relations, which must be severed by the last orders of this term, and which have been so pleasant, is not therefore, without its feeling of personal regret. And he further tenders his thanks to the faithful officers of his Court.

In addition to the foregoing entry, we the undersigned attorneys practicing in the county court of Tazewell, and the Clerk of said court and his deputy, beg leave to spread upon the record of this court the fact of our sincere regard and sorrow at the retirement of Judge Graham from an office which he has dignified and adorned, and we hereby tender him our warmest thanks for the courtesy and kindness always extended to us from the Bench; while at the same time we can truly assure him that no one can succeed him in the office who would be preferable to him in the discharge of its duties.



(Signed) Joseph Stras, Sen. A. J. May, Stras & Henry, J. G. Watts, A. P. Gillespie, John W. Spotts, S. D. May, H. C. Alderson, John W. Chapman, James W. Spotts, J. H. Stuart, S. F. Watts, Jas. R. Doak, Clerk, P. R. Spracher, D. C.

Ordered that court be adjourned till the first day of the next term.

(Signed)

S. C. GRAHAM."

### GRAYBEAL-GREEAR FAMILIES.

The Graybeal family is of Dutch descent. The first history we have of them gives them located in Bottetourt County, Virginia. Two brothers, Peter and David, married sisters by the name of Burkett. They all talked and read in their native tongue, and spelled the name "Graybill".

One of these brothers immigrated to Ash County, N. C., late in the 17th century, and located near Jefferson in Ash County. At this time they changed their name to spell "Graybeal", instead of "Graybill" hence the difference in the way the name is now being spelled. Peter Graybeal, Sr. had three children: John, David and Betsy, who married ——— Shaw.

John Graybeal (son of Peter, Sr.), married Martha Howell (first wife). She died about 1865. They located on old Field Creek, Ash County, N. C. When returning from church in about 1883, he was thrown from a young horse and killed.

Their children: Rhoda, who married a Mr. Green; Peter; Jacob; Sarah, who married a Mr. Greear; Mary, who married a Mr. Harden (first) a Mr. Jones (second) and a Mr. McCarroll (third); and Davis.

John Graybeal (of Peter), married Jane Nye (second wife). Their children: Martha Jane, who married a Mr. Johnson; Rhoda, who married a Mr. Green (children: Peter Green, who married a Harden (first) and a Perkins (second); Jacob Green, who married Alice Forster of Illinois, and located at Bryant, Ill. They have three children: James, Minnie and Willard Forster); and Sarah.

Sarah Graybeal (daughter of John, Peter), married John Calvin Greear, September 29, 1866. They left Grayson County, Virginia, and located in Tazewell County, at Wittens Mills, Va., where she died June 13, 1902.

Their children: Mattie Greear, who married Charles F. Faulkner (children: Ollie, who married a Mr. Cummins; Allen; Felix; Grace; Emma; Blake; Sarah; Verna; Jesse; Fay; and Calvin); William Brown Greear, who married Nancy Flora Gillespie, September 24, 1902 (children: William Brown, Jr., and David Calvin Gillespie); Eugene Marshall Greear, who married Susie McNew, March 9, 1904 (children: Thomas McNew and Eugene Marshall, Jr.); Troy Miller Greear, who married Grace Smoot, April, 1903 (children: John Richard, Ella Sarah and ———); Clabe Baker Greear, who married Teura Strader, July, 1908 (one child: Louis Strader); Clyde Howell Greear; and Cora Ella Greear, who married Elbert S. Hurt (one daughter, Frieda Catherine).

David Graybeal (son of Peter, Sr.) married Barbara Burkett (daughter of Christine)) had seven children: Joseph, Simeon, Eli, Rebecca, Calvin, Thomas, and Joisa.

Joseph Graybeal (son of David, of Peter), married Clarissa Faw. They located on a part of David Graybeal's estate on Little Horse Creek, Ash Co., N. C. Their children: Nancy, who married Thomas Burk; Jane, who married Hiram Weaver; Simeon; and Barbara, who married Hiram Weaver.

Simeon Graybeal (son of David, of Peter), born September 5, 1822; died September 28, 1913; married Martha Greear November 4, 1847 (daughter of Shadrach). They located on a part of the old homestead, but later bought property in Tazewell County. Later they removed to Greenbrier Co., W. Va. She was born March 25, 1833; died March 25, 1903.

Their children: Granville Monroe, Troy W., Fields Jerome, Eva, Sarah, who died in infancy, Livonia N., Avery L., Charles Lee, and Nora A.

Monroe Graybeal (son of Simeon, of David, of Peter), born February 22, 1849; died October 4, 1924; married Sarah McCar-ter, ———.

Their children: W. Fields, who married Mariah L. Sayers (first wife) June 20, 1894 (one son, David). He married Virginia Spracher (second wife) in 1907 (two children: Evelyn and Monroe). He married Vivian Dailey (third wife); Virginia O. Graybeal married Herbert Leonard (one Daughter, Ruth); Arthur Simeon Graybeal married Elizabeth Hopkins, February 23, 1907 (one son, Hopkins); Charles J. (dec'd), who married Elizabeth Ratcliffe, 1908; Flora Graybeal married Charles Harman (their



children: Bernard, Gladys, Nell, and Virginia); Mona Graybeal married B. I. Payne (children: Helen, Elizabeth, Mary Hunter and a son, ———); Ellen Graybeal; Myrtle Graybeal, Orla G. Graybeal—all three died young; and Elsie, who married William P. Armontrout.

Troy Graybeal (son of Simeon, of David, of Peter), born September 28, 1853; died September 1, 1922; married Charlotte Warren (first wife), who died March 25, 1901. He married Cornelia Mauzy (second wife.)

Their children: Joseph Walter, who married Bertha Taylor; Lelia, who married Jesse F. Bright (child, Raymond Edward); Jennie, who died 1903, at age of twenty-four years; Oran, who married Birdie Ocheltree, first, (children: Rogers, Sidney, and Jesse), two children by second wife: Oran Avery, Jr., and ———); Munsey, who married Ellen Martin (both dec'd); Maude, who married R. M. Riffe (children: Catherine, Elizabeth, who married Brown McFerrin; John, Robert and Charlotte); Carl, who married Elizabeth Stolner; Bright (dec'd); Essie Ellen, who married W. S. Penn (children: Elizabeth, W. S., Jr., Arthur (dec'd) Esther and Walter Edward; Gladys, who married Dwight Boggs; Zylphia; and Ival Grace.

Fields Jerome Graybeal (son of Simeon, of David, of Peter), married Nancy Isabelle Steele (daughter of Robt), June 11, 1879. Their children: Pearl; Robert Wiley, who married Rubie C. Nicholas (children: Neva Steele and R. W., Jr.); Larrie Lee, who married Thena Brown; Roy Everett, and E. Grace. Eva Graybeal (daughter of Simeon, of David, of Peter), married J. Munsey Ratcliffe. They had one daughter, Mattie, who died when twelve years of age.

Lavonia Graybeal (daughter of Simeon, of David, of Peter), married Rev. Wilfred Lawson. They had three children: Phillip, Eric, and Olin Greear.

Avery L. Graybeal (son of Simeon, of David, of Peter), married Katherine Clarke. They had four children: Willie Esther, who married Alta L. Bobbitt (children: A. L., Jr. and Carl Preston); Viola Miriam; Naomi Ruth and Paul Herman.

Lee Graybeal (son of Simeon, of David, of Peter), married Nettie West. Three children: Carl, Howard and Marie.

Nora Graybeal (daughter of Simeon, of David, of Peter), married G. Augustus Ratcliffe. Their children: Fred, Mattie, Willard, Bessie, Clyda, Lois, Mildred, Lenore and Donald (dec'd).





Residence of Barnes Gillespie.

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(a) Charles Leece, born March 18, 1855; married Alice Hayter (daughter of Ed. and Louisa Bowen Thompson Hayter), 1879. Their children: Louisa B. Leece, who married John Gildersleeve, September 12, 1906 (one daughter, Ruth); Lillie, who married Oscar George, June 12, 1907 (children: Thomas Edwin, Charles Leece, Oscar, Jr. and Alice Hayter); and Mattie Belle, who married Samuel Early White, June 6, 1916 (one daughter, Nellie Alice, born April, 6, 1921).

(b) Jane Leece, born April 24, 1856, married Stephen Bundy. Their children: William D. who married Marguariet Moore (children: Elizabeth McClung and William D., Jr, b. June 6, 1919); Clarence Bundy, who married Forte Dickenson (children, Clarence, Jr., Daniel, Virginia, and Dorothy); John Bundy, who married Mary Bundy (five children); Patrick Bundy, who married Mary Lynch (children: Ellen, Jean, and Patrick, Jr.); Thomas, who married Mary Jessie (children: Paul, Jessie, Jack, Kate Lee, and Clara.); Katherine Bundy, who died young.

Corrections and added information given by Mrs. William D. Bundy, Jr. of Tazewell, 1975.



With this gun Colonel Philip Greever fired the first shot in the Battle of King's Mountain, October 7, 1780, and wounded a British soldier.

On May 18, 1861, Mrs. Arthur Cummings, of Abingdon, Virginia, presented this flag to Captain James S. Greever, a grandson of Colonel Philip Greever, upon the occasion of his election as Captain of Company "A", 48th Virginia Infantry, C. S. A. She made the flag out of her silk wedding dress. On one of the white ribbon streamers attached was written with indigo: "Smythe Rifle Grays," and on the other streamer was written, "48th Va. Regiment." Captain Greever volunteered at the beginning of the War between the States.



Eli Graybeal (son of David, of Peter), married Milly Wyatt. Their children: Calvin, who married Lucy Howell; Willie; David (dec'd) and Celia, who married a Graham.

Rebecca Graybeal (daughter of David, of Peter), married William Spencer. They located on Grassy Creek, N. C. Their children: Catherine, who married John Thomas (one son Calvin, who married ——— Cornett); Fielding Spencer, who died in the West; Lee Spencer (dec'd); Melvin; Eli; John, who married Jennie Perkins and moved to Colorado. There were several children. His wife died and John returned to Virginia and married a Miss Young (second wife).

Calvin Graybeal (son of David, of Peter), married Susannah McCarrell. They located on Horse Creek, Ash Co., N. C., where they both lived and died. Their children: Cicero, who married a Wilcox; Adolphus; Joisa, dec'd; Rebecca, who married Nelson Baldwin; Ellen, who married William Patton (children: Ollie, John, Ruth); William; Oscar; and Laura, who married Adolphus Eller.

Joisa Grabeal (David, of Peter), who married John Calvin Greear March 10, 1853. They located in Grayson County, Va. Their children: Jennie, who married Dr. J. R. Gross (children: Joisa, Bessie and Victor); Rebecca, who married a Mr. Butt and Robey.

Thomas Graybeal (of David) no further record.

#### GREEVER FAMILY.

Among the hardy pioneers who came to this section from Germany was Philip Greever, I. He settled in Washington County in 1780, on the Middle Fork of Holston River, one mile west of the town of Chilhowie, Virginia.

Not long after locating there, he volunteered and joined Col. William Campbell's forces from the Holston for the defense of the settlers. They marched to King's Mountain, where Philip Greever fired the first shot in that decisive battle in the conflict which secured independence for the American Colonies. It is an interesting fact that the rifle with which he fired that shot is still in existence and carefully preserved, and is now in the possession of his great-grand-daughter, Mrs. E. L. Greever. This information is substantiated in "Pendleton's History of Tazewell County and Southwest Virginia, quoting an affidavit made by Philip Greever himself, on behalf of General Francis Preston, which affidavit is now in the possession of Capt. John M. Preston, of Seven Mile Ford, Virginia.



Philip Greever, I., was successful for those days, acquiring considerable lands in Washington and Tazewell Counties, and owning some slaves. He conveyed his lands in Burke's Garden, Tazewell County, to his son, Philip Greever, II, one of the earliest settlers there, who left many descendants to honor his name, among them Rev. John J. Greever, a noted pulpit orator, whose half-sister, (daughter of his mother by a former husband), was the grandmother of ex-Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, the Hon. B. F. Buchanan, a man of high character and a distinguished lawyer and statesman.

Most of the land owned by Philip Greever, I, has remained in the hands of his descendants. The site of the home which he built in Washington County is on the estate owned by his grand-son, the late Gen. James S. Greever, and it is still the home of Gen. Greever's wife, Mrs. Mary S. Greever, and his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Greever, of Tazewell, Virginia. The Norfolk and Western railroad and the Lee Highway run through this beautiful farm.

The larger part of the land which he owned in Burke's Garden is now owned by his great-grandson, C. H. Greever, who inherited it from his father, Philip Greever III, as he in turn had inherited it from his father, Philip Greever II, a son of Philip Greever I.

Philip Greever II, located in Burke's Garden about 1808, and three of his sons, Rev. J. J. Greever, Philip Greever III, and D. B. Greever, made their homes on lands adjoining his residence. Another son, C. H. Greever, lived in the town of Tazewell for many years, and then made his home at Five Oaks, where he died.

Philip Greever III, had two sons, who resided in Burke's Garden, one being the late John D. Greever and the other C. H. Greever. Only one daughter, Mrs. Amanda Mahood, wife of Rev. James Mahood, ever married, and, after living in Burke's Garden for many years, removed to Bland County, where she died.

John Dudley Greever, son of Philip and Eliza Greever, was born in Burke's Garden, Virginia, on August 22, 1836, and died March 6, 1924, within a mile and a half of his birthplace, in the home he and his wife built soon after they were married.

On October 19, 1865, he was united in marriage with Mary Elizabeth Spracher, daughter and only child of Stephen and Margaret Spracher, whose home for many years was the home of ministers of all denominations when their duties or travels brought them to the neighborhood.

His record as a soldier is unique in the extent of territory in which he served and in the unusual experiences that came to him. He was among the first to volunteer in 1861, spending that summer in training at Camp Jackson, at Wytheville, and going in the fall to the Kanawha Valley under General Floyd, engaging in several minor battles. Still under Floyd, he went to Bowling Green, Kentucky, and back to Christiansburg, Virginia for the winter. Next, he was with the Virginia troops under Floyd when they were led by him out of Fort Donelson to escape surrender. All this was a prelude to his serving in the Army of Northern Virginia under General Robert E. Lee, participating in many battles, including Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville (where he was in Jackson's flank movement and almost by his side when he fell), the Wilderness, Gettysburg, Winchester and Spotsylvania Court House. He was captured at "bloody angle", in the last named battle, on May 12, 1864. After being taken to Point Lookout and Fort Delaware, he, being First Lieutenant and acting Captain, Company "C," 50th Virginia Regiment, was sent as one of six hundred officers, known as "The Immortal Six Hundred", on a prison ship, under retaliation, to Morris Island, a sand bar in Charleston harbor, and placed in a stockade under the fire of the Confederate guns at Fort Moultrie. He was released from prison, after suffering extreme privation and resulting illness, on June 17, 1865.

Philip Greever I, died March 26, 1830, aged eighty-five years, and was buried on a hill overlooking his residence and the fertile bluegrass valley which he had selected for his pioneer abode.

Hiram A. Greever, youngest son of Philip Greever I, was born in Washington County, Virginia, October 30, 1806, and died May 23, 1882. He was Colonel of Militia before the War between the States, training under Gen. Peter C. Johnston, at Abingdon, Virginia. He later served in the House of Delegates from Smythe County, Virginia, and was Senator in the General Assembly from his District during the War between the States, after which he retired to private life on his farm, part of which he inherited from his father.

Colonel Greever married Rachel Holmes Scott, February 18, 1834. Their oldest son, James Scott Greever, was born September 9, 1837. James was an honor graduate of Emory and Henry College in 1859, and eight years later the same college conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts.



As soon as war was declared between the States, James S. Greever volunteered and entered the Confederate service as Captain of Company "A," 48th Virginia Infantry. The flag for his company was presented to him by Mrs. Arthur Cummings, of Abingdon, who made it out of her silk wedding dress. There were two long white ribbon streamers attached. On one was written in large letters, with indigo, "Smythe Rifle Greys"; on the other "48th Virginia Regiment". This flag is in possession of his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Greever, and is a priceless relic of those weary days.

William Snead Greever, the only brother of Capt. Greever, was just nineteen when he enlisted as a private in Company "A," 48th Virginia Infantry. He was soon promoted to Ordnance Sergeant, and continued as such until he was instantly killed while bearing the colors at Battle of Kernstown, July 24, 1864.

Captain James S. Greever was elected, in 1869, to State Senate from Smyth and Washington Counties, being first Democratic Senator after the war. He was re-elected, serving through the Governorships of Walker and Kemper. During the former's administration, he was appointed Brigadier General of the Militia.

General Greever was in the State Senate when Major John W. Daniel ran in opposition to Judge John W. Johnston, of Abingdon, but formerly of Tazewell, for the United States Senate. General Greever managed Judge Johnston's campaign, which defeated the brilliant and distinguished Confederate officer, John W. Daniel.

On January 7, 1873, Gen. Greever married Miss Mary Scott, only daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Richard Woolfork Scott, of Prince Edward County, Virginia. He was appointed member of Board of Trustees of Emory and Henry College in 1875, a trust he held until his death. He also served on Board of Directors of Southwestern State Hospital, at Marion, Virginia. He was President of Bank of Glade Spring, and it was through his influence this institution commenced operations. He belonged to the Masonic Order, and was a skilled Engineer. For years, General Greever had control of the large landed estate and timber lands in Virginia belonging to Douglas Robinson, of New York, a brother-in-law of Theodore Roosevelt. He died December 30, 1895, and is buried in the family cemetery, where sleep four generations of his name.

We have secured the genealogy of the four sons of Philip Greever II, namely: Philip III, David B., Charles H., and Rev. John J., which we give below:



Philip Greever III (Philip, Philip), born September 14, 1803; married Eliza Kimball, 1828. Their children: Margaret B., John Dudley, Charles H., Aamnda, Elizabeth M., Polly H., and George.

John Dudley Greever (Philip, Philip, Philip), born in Burke's Garden, August 22, 1836; died March 6, 1924; married Mary Elizabeth Spracher (daughter of Stephen and Margaret Spracher), October 19, 1865. Their children: Edgar L., Albert S., Walton H., Ida R., E. Margaret, Emma H., Hattie B., and Stephen Philip, who died in infancy.

Edgar L. Greever (John D., Philip, Philip, Philip), born September 28, 1866; married Virginia Holmes Greever (only child of Gen. James S. and Mary Scott Greever), January 29, 1913.

He received his early education in Burke's Garden Academy and Rural Retreat High School, and graduated at Roanoke College, 1887. Studied law at the University of Virginia, and since then has practiced law continuously as a member of the firm of Greever & Gillespie, with main office at Tazewell, Virginia, specializing in corporation practice in the United States Courts, courts of Virginia and West Virginia, and before various commissions, Interstate Commerce Commission, Railroad Commissions, etc. For many years a member of the Board of Trustees of Roanoke College, and a member of the Board of Visitors of University of Virginia for a year and a half.

Albert S. Greever (John D., Philip, Philip, Philip), born September 6, 1868; married Anna Elizabeth Coyner, August 2, 1905.

He received his early education in Burke's Garden Academy, Rural Retreat High School and graduated at Roanoke College, 1887. Taught school and held administrative positions in educational institutions continuously for twenty-one years, two years at Graham, Virginia; three years as principal at Cedar Bluff, Virginia; one year in Missouri; fifteen years owner and principal of Burke's Garden Academy, a private school; Division Superintendent of Schools for Tazewell County from July, 1917 to July, 1925; and was reappointed for another term of four years from that date. Their children: Albert Sidney, Jr., John Dudley, Jr., Theodore Coyner, Eleanor Elizabeth, and Edgar Philip.

Walton H. Greever (John D., Philip, Philip, Philip), born December 18, 1870; married Roberta Bruegel, June 29, 1900. Their children: Walton H., Jr., Miriam Roberta, and Mary Virginia.

Walton H. Greever received his elementary education at Burke's Garden Academy, Rural Retreat High School and Roanoke College, graduating at College, 1892. He graduated from Mount Airy Theological Seminary (Lutheran), Philadelphia, 1896, receiving degrees of Master of Arts and Doctor of Divinity from his Alma Mater. He served as pastor of the Lutheran congregation, Bluefield, West Virginia, for several years. He lived in Columbia, South Carolina, for twenty-two years—serving as pastor, editor of the American Lutheran Survey, and professor in the Southern Lutheran Theological Seminary. Dr. Greever was also identified with important business enterprises of the city. He is a member of the National Council of the American Lutheran Church, and various other executive positions in the Lutheran Church; Member of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Columbia; and author of a number of books and treatises on ecclesiastical subjects. Walton H. Greever, Sr., married Nita Jane Umberger, second wife.

E. Margaret Greever (John D., Philip, Philip, Philip), born January 14, 1879; married Rev. E. H. Copenhaver. They have three children: Margaret, Sue, and Hellen Greever.

Hattie B. Greever (John D., Philip, Philip, Philip), born November 13, 1881; married C. J. Moss, September 5, 1906. They have one child, Mary Malvina.

Charles H. Greever (Philip, Philip, Philip), born August 27, 1843; married Margaret Jane Hedrick, October 19, 1868. Their children: Laura B., Clara May and Mary Etta. Charles H. Greever served in the Confederate Army during the last three years of the War between the States.

Amanda W. Greever (Philip, Philip, Philip), born May 10, 1834; married Rev. James Mahood, December 26, 1855. Their children: Alva Willis, Ollie, George, Clemmie, Carrie, Mary, Angie, Sallie, and Annie.

David B. Greever (Philip, Philip) was born in Burke's Garden in 1804; died in 1896; married ——— Thompson (first wife). She died in 1850.

Their children: Margaret Greever, who married Stephen Mahood; Ellen Greever, who married Peery Davis—both lived and died in Nebraska; Campbell B. Greever, who married Louisa Heninger; Thompson H. Greever, who married Louisa Rogers; and Lindsey T., who married Hannah Rhudy. They had one child, Nancy, who married Watson Stowers. Campbell B. and Thompson H.,



both served in the 45th Virginia Regiment during the War between the States. David B. Greever married Polly Spracher (second wife).

Charles H. Greever (Philip, Philip), born in 1806; married Eliza Harrison, October 10, 1837. She was born November 2, 1819.

Their children: Alexander, who married Jane Bowen; Blair B., who married Helen Jones (Children: Tate, who married Dora Vinson; Julia, who married John Cooper; Jessie; Charles; John H., who married Lucy McClintock; Claire, who married Dr. Frank Pyott; Helen, who married O. S. Baldwin; Annie; Alexander; William; and Irene); Charles Greever, who married Amanda Graham (children: Vicie, who married Walter Sanders, first husband, and Joseph Burgess, second husband; Eliza, who married Wade Frazier; Elma, who married Walter Fink; Sallie; Clarence; Robert; and Bertha.

Rev. John J. Greever (Philip, Philip), was born in Burke's Garden, April 27, 1811. He received such education as was then obtainable near his home, and then walked to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, where he continued his studies for some time, after which he entered the Lutheran ministry and served a single charge for thirty-three years. He was married to Margaret Peery, first wife, (daughter of Thomas Peery), April 2, 1840, and to this union were born seven children: Elizabeth, Ann L., Agnes, Philip M., Joseph B., George G., and Thomas—the last two of whom died young.

Elizabeth Greever, twin to Ann L., (John J., Philip, Philip), married Thomas Hudson. They had one daughter, Margaret, who married William Allen of Giles County, Virginia.

Ann L. Greever, twin to Elizabeth (John J., Philip, Philip), married William L. Spracher, of Burke's Garden. Their children: John P., who married May Miller; William and Alex, both died young; David B., who married Margaret Lucas, of Giles County, Va.; James T., who married Flora Brown, of Lynchburg, Va.; Jennie, who married Fields Graybeal; and Kate.

Agnes Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), married Stephen S. Fox. Their children: Margaret, who married Samuel N. Shawver; Sallie, who married Rev. J. W. Repass; Mattie, who married Tyler Bowling; and John W., who married Mamie Davis, of Smythe County, Va.



Philip M. Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), entered the Confederate army in 1861 and died of typhoid fever at the hospital near Emory, Virginia, November 14, 1863, and was buried in Burke's Garden.

Joseph B. Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), was born June 26, 1845. He served two or three years in the Confederate army and was wounded at the Battle of Seven Pines. After the war, he attended and graduated at Roanoke College in 1871. He studied Theology; entered the Lutheran ministry and is now a Doctor of Divinity. He has been preaching and teaching since his graduation. About 1872, he married Emma Cormany, of Wythe County, Virginia, and now lives in New Mexico. To this union were born four sons and three daughters: Bismark M., John J., Corsi, Bessie, May, Paul and Mark.

Margaret Peery Greever, first wife of Rev. John J. Greever, died November 21, 1848, and he married Catherine Peery, daughter of William Peery, March 5, 1850. To this second union were born eight children: C. William, John H., David B., who died young; James A., Margaret T., Nannie E. M., Lettie C., and M. Angeline.

C. William Greever, twin to Margaret T. (John J., Philip, Philip) born July 27, 1852. He was educated in county schools and at Rural Retreat Academy; attended medical lectures two years at University of Maryland, and graduated from Medical Department of Grant University at Chattanooga, Tennessee; practiced medicine in Tazewell County for about eight years; was postmaster at Burke's Garden from 1878 to 1880, and at Baptist Valley from 1882 to 1885. He served as member of the town councils of Tazewell and Graham (now Bluefield, Va.) for a number of years; and as Mayor of the town of Tazewell, 1921 and 1922. He had much to do in the matter of securing and installing the present water system of the town of Tazewell while a member of the council. He was a member of the local Exemption Board of the county during the World War. In 1885 Dr. Greever was appointed County Treasurer and in 1886 was elected to that office, serving in that office until 1891; was elected Clerk of Tazewell County 1911, which office he held until 1920. He is now Commissioner of the Revenue of Jeffersonville District. On May 26, 1878, Dr. C. W. Greever married Ella L. Peery, first wife, and they had the following children: Carl A., who married Emma Reynolds; John P.,

who married Frances Ryan; H. Bowen, who married Hazel Sluss; William W., who married Bessie Hagerman; Claude W., who married a Miss Williams; Callie T., who married Claude N. Petty; and Sarah, who died in infancy.

Ella L. Peery Greever, first wife of Dr. C. W. Greever, died October 1, 1899, and he married Nancy M. Witten, daughter of Dr. Thomas G. Witten, December 24, 1901. To this second union were born two daughters: Mary Anella and Lena May.

John H. Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), born in 1858; married Lettie C. Peery, and they had the following children: Harvey, who married Mamie Buck; W. Otto, who married Lelia Buck; Luther, who married a Miss Newberry, daughter of Lafayette Newberry of Bland County, Va.; Tobie, who went into action in France on September 18, 1918, and was never heard of afterwards; Lelia, who married Samuel Neal, first husband, who died and she married Charles Cowan of Texas; Katie, who died young; and Bertha, who married E. N. Wylie, of Bland County, Va.

James Alexander "Tobie" Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), born April 12, 1867. He went into the mercantile business as a young man and has built up one of the leading hardware stores of Tazewell County. He married Sallie B. Moss, daughter of Joseph S. Moss, September 26, 1889, and they have the following children: Mabelle, who married Howard Sale of Lynchburg (one child, James); Theressa, who married Joseph Rosenbaum (two children: George Robert and Margaret); Eloise, who married Alfred Craft; Alverta; Lettie Vail, who married Donald Hutton, September 10, 1925; John J., who married Mamie Peery (one child, Eloise Craft); and James.

Margaret T. Greever, twin to C. William, (John, J., Philip, Philip), born July 27, 1852; married H. A. Long and they have the following children: Sallie, who married J. B. Meek (children: Leroy, Alexander, Leon, Joseph, dec'd. John Robert and Ethel); John W. Long, who married Bessie Davis (children: Stella, Margaret, Catherine, Louise, Robert and Harvey G.); Jessie Long, who married Litz L. Peery; Stella Long, who married Hubert S. Bailey; H. Bowen Long, who married Ruth Cary (one child, Eunice) and Harvey Long, who died young.

Nannie E. M. Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), married R. Lewis Gillespie. They had two sons, who died young, and five daughters: Nora, who married a Mr. Newberry (one daughter,



Mayola); Margaret, who married S. N. Worley (two sons, S. N., Jr., and W. L.); Kate, who married Chapman Worley (one daughter, Anna Kate); Angie, who married R. A. Wells; and Leola, who married Henry Peery.

Lettie C. Greever (John J., Philip, Philip), married W. W. Stephenson and they had three sons: John W., Harvey and David.

M. Angeline Greever (John J., Philip, Philip) married Rev. D. S. Fox. Their children: Katie, who married Charles Grose-close; Rosa; William, who married a Miss James; and Martin Luther, who married a Miss Koiner.

### THE HANKINS FAMILY.

John Hankins Senior, came from New Jersey to Tazewell County, Virginia, about 1773 or 1774. He was one of the founders of the Baptist Church in Baptist Valley, this valley having been named in honor of that congregation. John Hankins had several children. We have been able to secure the names of two of his sons, Moses and Joseph, and one daughter, Rachel, who married Archibald Maloney.

Moses Hankins married Patsy Mitchel. To this union were born the following children: 1. Lucy, who married George Harrison (one daughter, Patsy, who married Kirk Asberry); 2. Elizabeth who married Alex Beavers September 22, 1825 (children: John "Beardy", who married Lucy Bandy; Alex, Jr.; Nancy, who married James Williamson; Lydia; Rachel, who married Crockett Christian; William and James); 3. Robert, who married Nancy Beavers September, 1834. They had one son who died unmarried. Robert Hankins married Susan Hankins, daughter of Joseph Hankins, second wife, March 27, 1838 (children: Nancy, who married Hugh Sparks; Richard, who married a Miss Brewster, daughter of Bird Brewster; John; Easter; Patsy, who was second wife of Hugh Sparks; William, who married Mary Sayers; Moses, who married Mollie Griffith; and Timothy, who married a Miss Lawson). 4. William, who married Polly Mitchell February 7, 1837 (children: Grace, who married Geo. W. Tabor; Isaac, who married Mrs. Elizabeth Wallace Whitt; Bettie, who married Thomas Barrett; Andrew; Charles; Hester, who married Austin Sparks; and Peter L., who married Lucinda Boothe). 5. Nancy, who married Carter Hankins, February 9, 1844 (children: Lydia, who married Joel Sparks; Cynthia, Moses and Elizabeth, all of whom died unmar-



ried; Roland, who married Mary Honaker; and Thomas E., who married Margaret Harrison, daughter of Joseph Harrison). 6. Rebecca, who married John W. Boothe (children: Patsy, George, Moses, and James). 7. John, who married Eliza Boothe (children: Arminda, Madison and James). 8. Cynthia, who married J. William Sparks, April 23, 1850 (children: Elizabeth, who married John T. Sparks; Jonas, who married Ella Ball; and Mary, who married Henry Linkous). 9. James, who married Elizabeth Quicksall, daughter of Rev. Jonathan Quicksall, December 24, 1839. James Hankins was born October 27, 1815. He served a short time in the Confederate Army, near the close of the War between the States, in the company of which his son, Jonathan, was Captain, taking part in the engagement near Saltville, Virginia, in October, 1864. After the close of the war, he was one of the first Justices of the county court; and was on the bench during the first term under the re-organization of said court. The members of that court were appointed by F. H. Pierpoint, Governor of Virginia, on September 27, 1865. After his term of Justice expired, he was elected and re-elected to that office, serving in that capacity most of the time until late in life. His decisions, were held in high esteem because of his well known integrity and devotion to justice. He was a large land owner and a leading citizen of Tazewell County. James and Elizabeth Quicksall Hankins had the following children:

1. Jonathan, who married Charlotte Comer, 1866. Children: (a) Mollie J., who married William C. Boyd, December 24, 1890, and they have twelve living children, (Margaret E., who married James Kesler; James Paul, who married Bertie Watson; Bessie, who married John Watson; Hobart, who married Linnie Watson; Charles, who married Coral Downing; Lenora, who married George W. Burgette; Clyde; Clarence; Sarah; Hattie; Otis; and Carl Madison); and (b) Lenora, who married William J. Watson.

2. Moses, who married Lenora Comer. Children: James, John, and Belle, who married Arthur Harman.

3. Abel, who married Julia Gillespie, first wife. Children: Sallie, William B., James Ed., Lucy, and Mary. Abel married Mrs. Sarah Randall, second wife, and they had one son, Thomas.

4. Thomas (twin to Lucy), who married Margaret Gillespie, daughter of William B. Gillespie. Children: (a) James B., who married Minnie Repass (children: Olga, Marvin, James B., Jr., Rufus, Thelma); (b) Lucy Jane, who married Charles W. Jones

(one daughter, Lula Morrisette, who married Thomas Worsham); (c) Moses J., who married Margaret Peery, daughter of H. G. Peery, Sr. (children: Dorothy, Mildred, Ruth and Jackson Peery); (d) Etta; (e) Thomas Blair, who married Della West (children: James Blair and Margaret); (f) May O.; (g) Ella Elizabeth, who married Firm A. Weaver (children: Firm L. and Charles); (h) Lenora Myrtle, who married Eugene Thomas (one daughter, Peggy); (i) Clyde Newton, who married Sallie White (children: Margaret Ann, Clyde N., Jr., and Mary Jane).

5. Lucy (twin to Thomas), who married Moses Jackson Beavers. Children: (a) Eleanor Phoebe, who married Frank T. Wall (children: Frank T., Jr., who married Pearl Cole; Lillian Claire; Ruth Dillard, who married P. S. Ricketts—one son, Paul Stevens, Jr.; and Naomi Elizabeth); (b) James M., who married Nellie June Ascue (one child, Catherine).

6. Madison Mitchell, who married Margaret E. McGuire, daughter of J. Marion McGuire. Children: (a) Elijah J., dec'd.; (b) M. F., died in infancy; (c) Clarence H., dec'd., who married Bettie T. Simmons; (d) John M., who married Mary Belle Altizer (children: Jeanette and John M., Jr. ); (e) Louise; (f) Thomas Peery; (g) Carl Newton (dec'd); (h) William J.; (i) Albert Claude; (j) Walter Henry; and (k) Narcie Helen.

7. Mary Jane, who married John Lambert. Children: (a) Elizabeth, who married A. J. Burnett (children: Carl, Clyde, Claude, and Thelma); (b) Belle, who married Charles Lawrence (children Frank and Clifford); (c) William N., who married Julia B. Ratliff (children: Fred, Mary, Murial, Elizabeth and Willie); (d) J. Cameron, who married Margie Grady (one child, J. Cameron, Jr.); (e) Sadie, who married Joseph White (children: Elmer, Haven, Paul, John M., Louise, Margaret, Florence, Trula, and Sammie); (f) Thomas H., who married Agnes Buckles (children: Tommie Helen and Peggy Jane). (g) Clarence, who married Rose Robinett (children: Lawrence, Roy, Edward, Jessie and Charles Henry). (h) Paris, who married Trula Grady (children: Paris, Jr., Ernest and Mary Catherine); (i) Stella, who married Robert Shreeve, Jr. (children: Madaline, Mary Jane, Robert, Jr., Kenneth and Ella Mae); (j) Robert, who married Jamie Sweeney, (one child, Jack Parsons).

8. Elizabeth (Bettie), who married J. Newton Harman. Children: (a) Hattie S.; (b) Rufus A., dec'd., who married Mary Vir-



ginia Shelburne (children: Thelma, dec'd., and Rufus A. Jr.); (c) James W., who married Coralie Laird (children: James W., and Samuel Laird); (d) John Newton, Jr., who married Ethel Steger (children: John Newton III, Hubert and James); (e) Margaret R.; (f) Lucy Byrd; (g) Minnie E.; (h) Robert W., who married Gladys Goodwin (one son, Robert W., Jr.).

9. Patsy, who married Jonas R. Sparks. Children: (a) Olivia, who married Montgomery Johnson (children: Margaret, who married A. T. Fore; Dewey Lee, who married Callie Jones; Patsy E., who married Russell C. Hale; Robert Hunter; Nannie Edith; Exie, dec'd.; Della Delaine; Enia Sue; Alice Katherine; and Sylvia Gilberta); (b) J. Matt, who married Mattie Robinson (children: Lillian and Charlie); (c) Margaret J., who married Charles H. Johnson (children: Percy Arden, Ella Mae, Juanita, and Madeline); (d) Ella P., who married J. H. Murphy (children: Frank and Arthur); (e) Rachel R., who married J. N. Dugger (children: Bradley, Joseph Hoyt, Hattie, Ray and Patsy); (f) J. Gold, who married Maude Dorton (children: Ray, Patsy Elizabeth, Paul and Violet Grace); (g) Robert J., who married Clyde Holland (one child, Vince Ella); (h) Violet, who married Thomas Woosley (children: Mildred and Evelyn); (i) Ernest J., who married Dorothy Robinson (one son, Ernest Elmore); (j) Hattie Mae; (k) Wilfred Elmore.

### JOSEPH HANKINS, SR.

(Son of John Hankins)

Joseph Hankins, Sr., married Nancy Mitchel, January, 1814. He was very small of stature. It is said on one occasion he hid in a cabbage patch from a party of Indians. When they discovered him they were so much impressed with his diminutive size they called him "Mr. Nobody" and told him they would not hurt him, and for him to keep his gun and hunt wherever he pleased.

They had the following children: (1) Susan, who married Robert Hankins (for names of their children see Robert Hankins line); (2) Patsy, who married Joseph Harrisson (children: William, who married Eliza Harman; Ebb, who married ———; Joseph, who married ———; and Margaret, who married Thomas E. Hankins); (3) Polly, who married Jonas Sparks August 19, 1851 (children: Joseph, who married Mary Whitt; Mary, who married Ezra Linkous; Jonas R., who married Patsy



Hankins; Robert M., who married Martha Maxwell; Samuel, who married Emma Griffith; and George, who married Virginia Farris); (4) Dacy; (5) Rachel; and (6) William, who married Hannah Asberry, March 23, 1847. He was captain of Co. "H," 29th Va. Infantry in the Confederate Army. He also served for many years as Deputy Sheriff and Constable for Tazewell County (their children: Thomas, who married Betsy Mitchell; George; and Joseph, who married Emma Baker, daughter of James W. Baker). Joseph and Emma Baker Hankins had the following children: Hannah, Rosa, George and Blaine.

### ABEL HANKINS, SR.

(Grandson of John Hankins, Sr.)

Abel Hankins, Sr., married Polly Henkle, December, 1835. He was a leading citizen of his community. Was elected and re-elected during a long series of years a justice of the courts of Tazewell County. His court decisions were regarded fair and just. He also served his generation in other positions of trust during his long life. See Vol. I Annals of Tazewell County and elsewhere in this Vol. for further record of his services.

Their children: (1) William; (2) Elizabeth (Bettie); (3) Nannie; (4) Rebecca; (5) George; (6) Timothy W.; (7) Sheffy; (8) Arminda; (9) Abel Estil; (10) Dow; (11) Mary and (12) Ward.

(1) William Hankins married Elizabeth Brewster—their children: Abel B., Andrew P., William L., Harvey, Mollie R., Arminda, James S., and Lottie.

(2) Elizabeth (Bettie) Hankins married Ebenezer Brewster, January 13, 1860—their children: Polly, who married Daniel Conner; J. Milton; William A., who married ———; and Frank, who married Laura Bowling.

(3) Nannie Hankins married Hugh Johnson—their children: George, Mary, Hugh J., Betsy, and Arminda.

(4) Rebecca Hankins married George W. Patton and they had the following children: (a) Abel, who married Mattie Spangler and they have one child, Harry; (b) James Peery, who married Lillie F. Gibbs, and they have one daughter, Violet Rhea; (c) Saunders L., dec'd.; (d) Timothy Witten, who married May Kreite—two children: Ann Budd and Kreite; (e) Silas Dow, dec'd.; (f) Mary Jane, who married Dr. F. B. Quincy, first husband—their children: George and Fred. Mary Jane married J. S. Howard, second husband—their children: Jerome and Mary Pat.

(5) George Hankins married Lottie Helbert—their children: Timothy, Randolph, James S., Arminda and Nannie.

(6) Timothy W. Hankins married Mattie Young.

(8) Arminda Hankins married James Wyatt—their children: Mollie R., Mattie R., Edward, and Gyrtie.

(10) L. Dow Hankins married Mollie Tabor.

(11) Mary Hankins married J. Morgan Brewster and they had the following children: (a) Milton, who married Mattie Jamison—their children: Bebe and Herman; (b) Polly, who married Sidney Hankins—their children: Emma, James, Nannie, George and Gracie; (c) James, who married Nina Comer—their children: Mary Alice and Edith; (d) Nannie, who married Walton Butt—their children: Claude, Virginia and Charles; (e) Eliza, who married Cleff O. Butt—their children: Edwin, Henry and Juanita; (f) Abel, who married Ethel Hufford—their children: Gerald and Dorothy; (g) Lackie, who married Etta Huffman—their children: Marian, Mildred, Cordelia, Howard and William; and (h) Dow, who married Havie Etheridge. They have one child, Eleanor Lee.

#### THE HARMAN FAMILY.

The following condensed history of the Harman family is taken from "Harman Genealogy" published by the author 1925, which book is on sale by Tazewell Historical Society, Tazewell, Virginia. This book, bound in cloth, contains one hundred illustrations and covers the period from 1700 to 1924:

Heinrich Adam Harman, born in Prussia, Germany about 1700, married Louisa Katrina in Germany October 8, 1723. She died in the present Giles County, Virginia, March 18, 1749, and he died there in 1767. It is said he had six brothers, some of whom came with him to America, and others who followed later. One or more came to North Carolina. Valentine, one of his brothers was killed by the Indians on Sinking Creek in the present Giles County, Virginia, in 1757; another brother, Jacob, and his son were killed by Indians in the same year. We think that George, Peter, John and perhaps another, who came direct from Germany to North Carolina, were also his brothers. Heinrich Adam, who is usually referred to as Adam Harman, and his wife, Katrina, had eleven children, four of whom were: Adam, Jr., Henry, Sr., Daniel, Sr., and Mathias, Sr. Adam, Jr., born in Germany about 1724, came with his father to New River in 1744 or 1745, married, lived and



died in North Carolina. He had a son, Adam, and also other children, who had their home in North Carolina. Henry, Sr., born, according to tradition, on the Isle of Man about 1726, as his father and family were enroute from Germany to America. Daniel, Sr. born in Pennsylvania, about the year 1729, and Mathias, Sr. born near Straburg, Va. about the year 1736, his father having moved to the Valley of Virginia about 1734 or 1735. As above stated, Adam Harman came to New River in the present Giles County, Virginia, and established his permanent residence at Eggleston Springs, then called Gunpowder Spring, owing to its odor resembling that of gunpowder.

Adam Harman and his sons were the founders of the first permanent English-speaking settlement west of the Alleghany Mountains, and in the whole Mississippi Valley. They were Germans and spoke the German language, but they also spoke the English language and were loyal subjects to the English crown in the Colony of Virginia. All histories we have read fix the first settlement at Drapers Meadows, at the present Blacksburg, in Montgomery County, Virginia, but in 1745 we have found that a county court road order entered in Orange County, Virginia, May 20, 1745, recites a road survey to "Adam Harman's on New River". We also find that he was a road overseer there in 1746 and 1747; that he was appointed Captain of Foot, Captain of Troop of Horse, and was also constable there all prior to 1748, the date of the Draper's Meadows settlement. Adam Harman and presumably his two sons, Adam, Jr., and Henry, Sr., rescued Mrs. Ingles, after her captivity by the Indians, in 1755, at Eggleston Springs.

#### HENRY HARMAN, SR.

Henry Harman, Sr., (called Skygusta by the Indians), son of Adam, born on the Isle of Man about the year 1726, after living in Pennsylvania for some years, came with his father's family by way of the Valley of Virginia, where they resided until they moved to their permanent home on New River in the present Giles County, Virginia. He was a noted Indian fighter and had many hair-breadth escapes from contact with the Indians, which are told in detail in "Harman Genealogy". In June, 1758, he was commissioned Captain of the King's Militia by John Blair, President of the Council of Virginia; and commissioned Captain of a company of Militia in North Carolina in 1764; was a member of the



Committee of Safety of Rowan County, North Carolina, in 1774; and later participated in Indian warfare on the Virginia frontiers during the Revolutionary War, and continued his fight for the protection of the white settlers from Indian depredations many years after the war was ended. About 1759 he married Nancy (Ann) Wilburn, of Rowan County, N. C., where he made his home during the greater part of the time until about the year 1776, when he moved back to Southwest Virginia. He resided in the counties of Wythe, Giles, Tazewell and Bland and died at Hollybrook in the present Bland County in 1822. There were born to Henry Harman, Sr., and his wife, Nancy (Anna), nine children: Daniel, Henry, Jr., Adam, George, Mathias, Hezekiah, Elias, Rhoda and Louisa.

Daniel married Pheby Davidson (?). They had four children, two of them were Henry and George. In 1791 Daniel was killed and scalped by Indians a mile or two east of Five Oaks, in Tazewell County. (See account of his death in Volume 1, page 436).

Henry Harman, Jr., second son of Henry Harman, Sr., born on New River, in the present Giles county, Va., January 5, 1763. He married his first cousin, Christena Harman (daughter of Daniel, who was a son of Heinrich Adam). She was born February 10, 1767; died November 20, 1836.

Henry Harman, Jr., died in Tazewell county, Va., on February 20, 1809, and was buried near his residence, in the old cemetery on his home farm about three miles northeastwardly from Tazewell Courthouse, which farm is now owned by heirs of the late William F. Harman.

The first Court of Tazewell county was held in the house of Henry Harman, Jr., in the month of June, 1800, pursuant to the statute of 1799, creating the county of Tazewell. The house in which the first court was held was built of hewn logs. A subsequent owner of the farm pulled down the old house and erected a new one on the same site. He used the logs from the old house to erect a barn, a short distance from the new house, which barn is now standing. The logs are still in good state of preservation.

Henry Harman, Jr., served as a Justice of the county Court for many years. In 1802 he was appointed Deputy Surveyor for his brother, Hezekiah; and in 1805 he was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony. He served in various other public capacities, being recognized in every way as a leading citizen of the county.

Their children: I. Eleanor, II. Daniel, III. Rhoda, IV. Malvina, V. Nancy, VI. Letitia, VII. Henry Wilburn, and VIII. Christena.

I. Eleanor, born November 28, 1787, died May 17, 1862; married Major David Peery, December 18, 1806. He was born April 27, 1778, died July 8, 1862. He was a son of John Peery and Nancy Martin Peery. (See Major David Peery line in Harman Genealogy, page 104, etc.)

IV. Malvina Harman married Alexander Harrison, April 25, 1818. Their children: Rufus, Blair, Eleanor, Eliza, Julia, and Nancy. (For further genealogy see Harman Genealogy, page 112).

V. Nancy Harman married Kiah Harman, (son of Hezekiah, of Henry, Sr.) She died in 1866. Their children: Henry Dorsey; Rhoda; Christina; Hezekiah Augustus; and Erastus French. (For genealogy of these children see Hezekiah line).

VI. Letitia Harman married Addison Crockett, December 8, 1825. Their children: Polly, who married Robert Crockett, of Wythe County, Virginia; Mariah; Virginia, who married Rush Harman; and Augustus, who married a Miss Gillespie.

VII. Henry Wilburn Harman married Julia Yost. Their children: Oscar, Ellen, Buse, Mallie, Rhoda Jane, and Priscilla. (For further genealogy see Harman Genealogy, page 114-15.)

VIII. Christena Harman, born September 27, 1809; died December 11, 1860; married Samuel Laird, August 6, 1829. He was born February 28, 1803, and died December 11, 1883. (See Laird Line, Harman Genealogy).

John Adam Harman, third son of Henry, Sr., married Anna Gardner, December 31, 1787. They resided and reared a large family in the present Bland county. (For further information see Harman Genealogy, page 123, etc).

George Harman, the fourth son of Henry, Sr. was born January 25, 1767 in Rowan County, North Carolina; married Barbara Lopp (daughter of John Lopp, Sr.), December 27, 179-.

George was nine years old when his father left North Carolina and returned to Virginia. George took a conspicuous part in the famous battle in which he, his father and his younger brother Mathias fought seven Indians on Tug river, eleven miles above the present town of Welch, W. Va. George was just twenty-one years of age when this battle took place.



George Harman and his wife, Barbara made their home on Walker's Creek which was then Wythe county but now embraces Bland county. In his old age he lived with his daughter, Betsy Neel on Kimberling Creek. He died there and it is understood, was buried in the old Harman burying ground at "Hollybrook". His children: "Big" Daniel and Elizabeth.

"Big" Daniel was born in 1797; died November 6, 1845; married Rhoda Harman (twin to Susanna) (Adam, Henry, Sr., Heinrich, Adam) February 17, 1814. She was born March 3, 1796; died September 24, 1845. Both were buried on the old home farm at "High Rock" in Bland County Virginia. Their children: Robert Wilson, Ephriam, Anna E. Barbara, Sydney, Juliet, Peggy, Nancy, Henry Wesley and Addison.

Robert Wilson Harman was born December 1, 1814; died September 10, 1868. He married Cynthia Byrd and to this union the following children were born: Nancy Christina, Sarah Elizabeth, John Newton, Harriet Ann, Mary Ellen and Cynthia Victoria.

John Newton Harman, the only son of Robert Wilson Harman and his wife, Cynthia Byrd, was born in Giles county, Virginia (now Bland) June 10, 1854; married Bettie Hankins (daughter of James Hankins) September 10, 1878. He taught four years in the public schools of Bland and three years in the public schools of Tazewell, county. Was one of the founders of Tazewell College. He was ordained to the Ministry in 1874, at the age of twenty years. Was State Evangelist under Virginia Christian Missionary Society 1895. Was founder, owner and editor of the Tazewell Republican, a weekly newspaper. In May, 1883 he was elected Commonwealth's Attorney for Tazewell county for a term of four years; was re-elected to same office in 1887. He was elected State Senator November 1901 for a term of four years; was the nominee of the Republican party for Superintendent of Public Instruction of Virginia in 1905. Mr. Harman was elector on the Roosevelt ticket for the Ninth District of Virginia in 1912; was Chairman of this district of "Minute Men" during the World War; and was appointed Head of Field Force and Legal Advisor to the Federal Prohibition Director of Virginia, September, 1922. In 1906, Mr. Harman entered the coal business at Raven, Va. He organized several coal companies and served as director, President and Treasurer of said companies for many years. He is a member of the Virginia Historical Society; Author of "Annals of Taze-



well County, Virginia" in two volumes (1922-1925) and author of "Harman Genealogy", published in 1925.

Children of John Newton and Bettie Hankins Harman are: (a) Harriet Stella, who for several years was music instructor in Tazewell College, Graham College, and Lynchburg College. In Red Cross Work, Washington, D. C., 1918. Is a member of the Fort Maiden Spring Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Tazewell, Va.

(b) Rufus Ashworth, died October 8, 1904, who married Mary Virginia Shelburne, June 26, 1901. Their children: Thelma Virginia, who died September 19, 1924, and Rufus Ashworth, Jr., who married Laura Belle Stacy, September 24, 1925.

(c) James William, was elected Attorney for the Commonwealth, Tazewell County, in 1911 and re-elected 1915; was Government Appeal Agent of the county during the world war. He is a member of the Virginia State Bar Association; American Bar Association; Chairman of the Republican Committee of the Ninth Congressional Dist. of Virginia; and member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M. He married Coralie Rachel Laird, October 1, 1914, and they have two sons, James William, Jr. and Samuel Laird.

(d) Nora Elizabeth; (e) Frank Willey, both died in infancy.

(f) John Newton, Jr., graduated in law at Washington and Lee University, 1912; is a member of the Law firm of Harman & Howard, Welch, West Va.; President, McDowell County (W. Va.) Bar Association; member of West Virginia Bar Association; American Bar Association; member Tazewell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M., O'Keefe R. A. C. No. 26; Bluefield Commandry No. 19; Beni Kedem Temple A. A. O. N. M. S.; charter member, Welch Rotary Club; and member Guyandotte Club, Huntington, W. Va. He married Ethel Steger, October 2, 1915, and they have three sons, John Newton, III., Hubert Steger, and James William.

(g) Margaret Rose, graduated with degree of Bachelor of Arts from Lynchburg College; entered government service, 1918, in the Military Intelligence Branch of the War Department, Office Chief of Staff, Washington, D. C.; Secretary of Fort Maiden Spring Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Tazewell, Va.; and co-worker with J. N. Harman in the compiling and editing Annals of Tazewell County and Harman Genealogy, 1921-1925.

(h) Lucy Byrd, graduated with degree of Bachelor of Arts, Lynchburg College; entered war service in the United States Shipping Board, 1918; Secy-Treas., Republican State Executive Committee of North Carolina, 1922-23; member of the Daughters of the Confederacy; Fort Maiden Spring Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Tazewell, Va. On October 27, 1925, she married Jacob H. Huffman at Washington, D. C. He is a farmer and lumberman of Craig County, Virginia. They reside at Craig Healing Springs, Va.

(i) Minnie Etta, A. B., Lynchburg College; post graduate work at Bryn Mawr; and M. A. degree from University of North Carolina, 1923. She entered the Red Cross Work, National Headquarters, Washington, D. C., 1918; Executive Secretary, Durham Chapter of the American Red Cross, 1921-23; Case Supervisor School of Public Welfare, Univ. of North Carolina, 1923-24; Executive Secretary of North Carolina Conference for Social Service, 1924; member of the Daughters of the Confederacy and of the Fort Maiden Spring Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Tazewell, Va.

(j) Robert Wilson, volunteered, June, 1918, for service in the world war; was honorably discharged January 19, 1919. He is a member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62 A. F. & A. M.; O'Keefe Chapter No. 26; Clinch Valley Commandry No. 20; Almas Temple A. A. O. N. M. S.; Sidney Coulling Post American Legion No. 133, and is County Accountant. He married Gladys Grey Goodwin, April 28, 1923, and they have one son, Robert Wilson, Jr.

Mathias Harman, fifth son of Henry, Sr., married Mary Dunn, January 25, 1791. They resided and reared their family in the present Smyth county, Virginia. (For further data, see Harman Genealogy, page 158).

Hezekiah Harman, sixth son of Henry, Sr., born November 30, 1772 (tombstone record); born October 30, 1771 (Bible record); died May 29, 1845; married Polly Brown, April 6, 1802. He was appointed the first Surveyor of Tazewell County in 1800, and also a Justice of the county court for Tazewell County, and qualified as such October term, 1800. He was appointed by the Governor consecutively Lieutenant, Captain, Major, and Colonel, in the 112th Regiment of the Militia of Virginia, prior to March 1830, at which time he became Sheriff of Tazewell County, and in November, 1831, was appointed Sheriff for a second term. The records of



Tazewell county show that he and his son, Hezekiah, Jr., served as Surveyors of the county from 1800 to 1858. His children: Hezekiah, Jr., Polly, Erastus G., Jane G., Martha B., Nancy W., Rhoda Ann, Henry B., Elias G. W., and William W.

His son, Hezekiah, Jr., married Nancy, daughter of Henry Harman, Jr. He died November 1, 1876. She was born November 13, 1801, died June 2, 1877. He was appointed Lieutenant of Infantry in 1821. In 1837 appointed deputy Surveyor by his father, Hezekiah Harman, Sr., and again appointed deputy Surveyor in 1839. In 1845 was appointed Surveyor of the county for a term of seven years, taking the place of his father, deceased, and served as such until 1858.

Their children: Henry Dorsey, Rhoda, Christina, Hezekiah Augustus, and Erastus French.

Hezekiah Augustus Harman (son of Hez., Jr.) married Sarah Ann Marrs. Their children: Kiah David Reuben, Shields Sidney Forrest, Backsdale (dec'd), Peel (dec'd), Alexander Marrs, May, who married W. C. Daniels, and Dovie, who married Charles E. Harman.

Shields Sidney Forrest Harman (son of Hez. A.) holds the record for the longest term as Sheriff of Tazewell County, having been since 1903, continuously elected to that office—an aggregate period of twenty-four years.

Erastus French Harman (son of Hez. Jr.) was a gallant soldier in the Confederate army in the War between the States. He died in the Federal prison at Elmira, N. Y., 1865. He married Susan Vance. Their children: Kiah, Nancy Jane, William French and Margaret.

William French Harman (son of Erastus French), born October 29, 1861; died Jan. 15, 1924; married Amelia G. Sayers (daughter of Capt. D. G. and Louisa Harman Sayers), June 6, 1888. He was one of the most prominent coal operators of the smokeless fields of southern West Virginia. Starting life under a financial handicap, he amassed a fortune by persistent effort. They had two sons, Charles Henry and Sayers French, who were associated with their father in the accumulation and management of their large estate. Charles Henry represented the counties of Tazewell and Buchanan in the General Assembly of Virginia in 1918 and 1919, declining further nomination thereto. He served as chairman of the Republican party in the county and was chairman of the 9th



Congressional District of Virginia in 1924, until he was nominated candidate for congress for said district, thirty days before the election. For further record of William French and his descendants, see Harman Genealogy, p. 172, etc.

Erastus Granger Harman, third son of Hezekiah, Sr., was born 1804; died in 1852; married Sallie Bane, July 3, 1828. Their children: Polly Letitia, Eliza Emarine, Nancy Jane, Edwin Houston, Aurelia Elizabeth, Elvira Lavinia, Martha Ann, Olivia Curran, Victoria, Robert P., Howard Bane and Charles Creigh.

Edwin Houston Harman (son of Erastus G.), born February 13, 1835; married Jennie King, of Pulaski County, Va., April 2, 1861. He was Lieut. Colonel in the 45th Regiment of Infantry in the War between the States; was mortally wounded in the battle of Cloyd's Farm, Pulaski County, May 9, 1864, and died May 11, 1864. The Brown-Harman Camp of Confederate Veterans of Tazewell County was named in honor of Colonel William Brown and Colonel Edwin Houston Harman. Charles William Harman, of Dublin, Virginia, and Col. King E. Harman, of Pulaski, Virginia, are the two children of Col. Edwin Houston Harman.

Robert P. Harman (son of Erastus G.), born June 1, 1846; died July 12, 1922; married Frances Ann Harman, September 21, 1871. She died 1925. While Robert P. Harman filled well the various positions in his life as husband, father, neighbor, citizen and soldier, his devotion to his church and his loyalty to Christ, stand out above his fellows as beacon lights and a worthy example to be followed by all who knew him.

Howard Bane Harman (son of Erastus G.), born May 24, 1848; died January 12, 1904; married Mary L. Harrison, November 3, 1870. He was a public official of Tazewell County from 1870 to the time of his death, covering a period of about thirty-four years. He served in the following official positions: Commissioner of the Revenue, Deputy Sheriff, Deputy Clerk of the County and Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Charles Creigh Harman (son of Erastus G.), born March 4, 1850, died March 7, 1911; married Sarah A. Crockett, December, 1876. For further record of Erastus G. Harman and his descendants, see Harman Genealogy.

Nancy Wilburn Harman (daughter of Hez., Sr.), married Reuben C. Fudge, June 1, 1831. Their children: Ann Eliza, who married Dr. Thomas G. Witten; Charles A., and Harriet Louisa, who married Capt. A. J. Tynes (See Tynes Line).

Charles A. Fudge, born March 6, 1837, married Elizabeth St. Clair February 22, 1870. After her death, he married Mrs. Grey Thompson (nee Buchanan), April 13, 1884. Charles A. Fudge entered the service of the Confederate States in the spring of 1861, as 2nd Lieut. of Co. "H," 45th Regt. of Virginia Infantry. He became Captain of his company in 1862 and commanded it in numerous battles. In the battle of Piedmont, June, 1864, he was desperately wounded and was captured by the enemy and remained in prison until the close of the war. He served as Sheriff of the county and various other offices. See Harman Genealogy.

Henry Brown Harman (son of Hez. Sr.), born Sept. 26, 1811, died June 30, 1889; married Mary Ann Fudge (sister of Reuben C.). She was born July 2, 1822, died June 27, 1877. Henry Brown Harman served the county as Deputy Surveyor, Commissioner of the Revenue, School Commissioner and Road Commissioner. He was Overseer of the Poor during the War Between the States, and there being no sufficient place provided for the poor at that time, he kept numbers of them in a house on his own farm, providing for their needs during long periods of time. There were several Harmans who bore the name Henry, but the subject of this sketch was, by common consent, designated and generally spoken of as "Good" Henry. Their children: Alexander L., Joseph H., Mary Elizabeth, who married Henry Simmerman; Martha Jane, who married Capt. John A. Davidson; Eugenia Jordan, who married A. B. White; Rose Ann, who married G. William Doak; Maria Isabelle, who married S. S. F. Harman; Henry Erastus, and Harriet Catherine, who married Adolphus G. Kiser.

Henry Erastus (son of Henry B.) born January 8, 1862; married Jennie St. Clair, June 14, 1899. Henry E. Harman, at present and for several years has been Chairman, Public School Trustee Electoral Board of Tazewell County, Virginia; President of Stras-Harman & Company, wholesale grocers; President and General Manager of Warrior Coal Company; and Vice-President and General Manager of Buchanan Coal Co. and Yukon, W. Virginia.

Elias G. W. Harman (son of Hez. Sr.), born August 28, 1820; died June 6, 1903; married Mary May, of Pike County, Ky. He moved with his family from Tazewell to Nebraska in 1873.

William W. Harman (son of Hez. Sr.), married Polly Taylor, December 10, 1846. They had no children.



Elias Harman was the seventh and youngest son of Henry Harman, Sr. and Nancy Wilburn Harman. His official record shows that he served as Ensign, Lieutenant, and Captain of the 1st Battalion, 112th Regiment; Deputy Surveyor and Justice of the Court for Tazewell County. In 1806 Giles County was formed and Elias Harman's residence was included in that county. He was a large land owner. His attitude toward slavery is fully expressed in the papers of emancipation, one of which is here copied from the court records as follows:

"Will Book "A," p. 417—Giles County Records.

Elias Harman, by writing dated March 25, 1828, entered of record in Will Book, Emancipated two slaves:

"Be it known to all whom these presents may concern that I, Elias Harman of Giles County, being fully persuaded that Freedom is the natural right of mankind that God of one blood Created all nations (Africans not excepted) conscious therefore that it is my duty to do unto all men as I would they should do unto me and having under my care several negro slaves whom I have hitherto held as such (to-wit) Frank who is about 35 years old and Febe who is about the same age, I do hereby Emancipate and set Free the above named slaves and do for myself my heirs Executors or administrators relinquish all and every right, title and interest Claim or pretention of Claim whatsoever to the above named slaves as to their Estate which they may hereafter acquire and it is My wish that them and their posterity may enjoy that full freedom without interruption from me or any person claiming by from or under me in witness whereof I have set my hand and Seal this 25th March 1826.

ELIAS HARMAN (SEAL)."

A similar writing executed September 21, 1827, he emancipated three slaves, viz: "Nelson, who was born about 1792; Dinah, born about 1785; and Dilly, born 1800."

Elias Harman married Polly Davis, 1803. Their home was the home and resting place for Methodist preachers. In it Bishops Asberry and McKindry have been entertained and have preached. Children of Elias and Polly Davis Harman: Robert W., who married Rhoda Harman; John W., who married Hester Ann Byrnes, first wife, Polly Neel, second wife, and Ann Mustard, third wife; William Neel, of whom further; James W., who married Caroline



Ward; Nancy, who married Nehemiah Henderson; Betsy, who married John Henderson; Louisa, who married Mathias Nichols; and Rhoda, who married Edwin F. Sheppard.

William Neel Harman was one of the distinguished sons of Virginia both in civil and military life, and was a man of legal and literary attainments. He graduated from Emory & Henry College in 1843, having taken the full course of Latin, Greek, French, Mathematics and the sciences generally. He engaged as teacher and editor from the time of his graduation until 1854 or 1855. May 12, 1856, he was admitted to practice law in Virginia and followed this profession until within a year of his death. He was elected the first Commonwealth's Attorney for Bland County. Company "F," 45th Virginia Infantry was the first company organized in Bland County and William N. Harman was made Orderly Sergeant of this company. He served throughout the war, being promoted step by step to the rank of Colonel. He died at Bonanza, Arkansas, July 30, 1905, aged eighty-two years. (For fuller account of Elias Harman and his descendants, see Harman Genealogy).

Rhoda Harman, daughter of Henry Harman, Sr. and Nancy Wilburn Harman, married William Neel in 1794 (see Harman Genealogy).

Louisa Harman, daughter of Henry Harman, Sr. and Nancy Wilburn Harman, married James Davis, November 20, 1799. (See Harman Genealogy for her descendants).

#### DANIEL HARMAN, SR.

Daniel Harman, Sr., son of Adam, was born in Pennsylvania about 1729. He came with his father to the Valley of Virginia about 1735, thence to New River, in the present Giles County, Virginia, in 1744 or 1745. In 1746 he was with George Draper and others exploring the country along the headwaters of the Sandy and Clinch Rivers when Draper and a man by the name of McGary were killed by a party of Indians. The death of Draper deferred the founding of Drapers Meadow for about two years. Daniel Harman was also an explorer of the country and a famous Indian fighter, being one of the "Long Hunters." He was captured by the Indians in 1757, at the time his brother Valentine was killed by them, but he succeeded in making his escape. In 1760 accompanied by his brother Mathias, on a hunting and exploring

expedition, he visited Abbs Valley and Ingles Crab Orchard, near Pisgah Station. April 21, 1764, he married Anna Bughsen, in Rowan County, North Carolina. It appears that he took up his residence there until 1773, when he moved to the head of Clinch River, in Tazewell County where he died in 1820. In his will he names his children as follows: Mathias, William, Daniel, Henry, Adam, Buse, Pheby Davidson, Christina Harman, Rebecca Wright, Nancy Milam, Levicey Harman, and his son-in-law Adam Harman.

Mathias married Jennie or Jane Harman, and they had the following children: Rebecca, who married Mastin Bailey, June 18, 1837; Matilda, who married William G. White, December 12, 1838; Margaret, who married Augustus W. Cole, April 16, 1840; Levicey, who married George Evans, March 22, 1858; John; Mathias Boyd, who was killed by lightning 1842; Jane, who married William Thompson, February 27, 1838; Daniel C., who married Margaret Gillespie, March 11, 1830; Nancy, who married James Peery, January 21, 1820; and James P.

William married Anna ———, and they had the following children: John B.; Henry H.; James H. (Harvey), who married Jane H. Atkins; William R. (Rush), who married Virginia Crockett, daughter of Addison Crockett, April 9, 1851; Nancy, who married William Dills, December 26, 1833; Peggy Ann, who married John Havens, December 14, 1827; Jane, who married Robert Atkins; Louisa, who married Matthias Boyd Harman, who was killed by lightning; and Marietta.

Daniel married and moved from Clinch River to near Pikeville, Kentucky about 1805. He had five sons; Adam, William, Quiller, Dow and Mathias.

Henry married Polly ———. He lived and died in Burke's Garden, Virginia. They had the following children: Henry J., Adam, Christina, Nancy, Sallie and Lewanna (Louemma). Adam married in Kentucky; James married and went west; Christina married ——— Peck and lived in Burke's Garden; Louemma married Daniel Gillespie, son of John B.

Buse married Nancy Cecil April 19, 1815.

Pheby married William Davidson in 1806.

Christina married Henry Harman, Jr. (for their children see Henry Harman, Jr. line).

Rebecca married ——— Wright.



Nancy married Solomon Milam.

Levicey married Adam Harman, son of Mathias or "Ticey" Harman, of Dry Fork.

### MATHIAS HARMAN, SR.

Mathias Harman, Sr., son of Adam, was born near Strasburg, Virginia, about the year 1736. He came with his father's family to New River about 1744 or 1745. When he was a mere youth his reputation as a hunter and explorer was such that he was frequently employed to lead hunting and exploring expeditions. It is said that more than once his explorations led him to the Mississippi River. He was the principal founder of Harman Station in Kentucky on the Louisa River near the mouth of John's Creek. In 1760 in company with his older brother, Daniel, he explored the country along the headwaters of sandy and Clinch Rivers, at which time he visited Abbs Valley and the Crab Apple Orchard, at the present Pisgah Station, in Tazewell County. In 1771 he settled at Carr's Place on the head of Clinch River, about two miles east of the present town of Tazewell. In 1780 we find his name on the roll of Washington County troops in the battle of Kings Mountain. He married Lydia Skaggs. She died in 1814 and he died in 1832, and both were buried on their home place on Dry Fork, which was later known as the D. G. Sayers Farm. They had the following children: Katie, Mathias, Jr., Pheby, Adam, Henry, Louisa, and Rebecca.

Katie married Robin Beavers, and they had the following children: Mathias, Alexander, and William.

Mathias, Jr., called "Ticy", married Nancy Vance, August 16, 1817. He died 1850. They had the following children: Elias Vance, who married Sarah McGuire, August 17, 1841; Daniel Howard, who married Susan Hatch, first wife, and Margaret Beavers, second wife; William B., who married Rinda Hatch; and Mathias Skaggs, who married Charlotte Vance.

Pheby married Moses Beavers, and they had the following children: Mathias, who married Peggy Whitley; Lydia, who married William Seabolt, April 4, 1841; Lizzie, who married John Waldron; Rebecca, who married Rice Waldron, February 27, 1851; Alexander, who married Polly Wynn; and Moses Jackson, who married Lucy Hankins, first wife, February, 1865 and Martha Sparks, second wife.



Adam, married Levicy Harman, daughter of Daniel, Sr.

Henry married Sarah Mitchell in 1798, as shown by records of Washington County, Va.

#### THE HIGGINBOTHAM FAMILY OF TAZEWELL COUNTY.

Moses Higginbotham, who came from Amherst County, Virginia, is the progenitor of the Tazewell County branch of the family. It is understood that he was a hatter by trade, making fur hats. Some time prior to 1800, he located near Liberty Hill, in that part of Tazewell County which was, at that time, embraced in Russell County. He selected for his home a spot where squirrels were plentiful. The old home-place, where he resided at the time of his death and where his widow lived, is located on the south side of Paint Lick Mountain, within a half mile west of Liberty Hill, or Knob, as it was later called. Most of the Higginbothams were born in and near this little village. Liberty Hill is about eight miles west of Tazewell Courthouse and was formerly a prominent business and social center.

There was also a Robert Higginbotham who appears to have been living near the home of Moses Higginbotham. From Tazewell court records we find that he bought a tract of land, on the waters of Maiden Spring, April 14, 1802. On August 23, 1814, Robert Higginbotham and Nancy, his wife, conveyed a tract of land to David Young. On November 23, 1823, Robert Higginbotham, of Madison County, Alabama, made a deed to George Higginbotham of Tazewell County, for land lying between Paint Lick and Deskins Mountains. It is not known who this Robert Higginbotham was, but it is surmised that he was a brother (or possibly a son) of Moses, and that the two came together and settled in Southwest Virginia. Robert Higginbotham served on the second grand jury in Tazewell March 3, 1801—Vol. 1, Annals of Tazewell. He appears listed as a soldier in the Revolution, in Battle of Kings Mountain—see list in this volume. From Marriage Register No. 1, of Tazewell County, we find the marriage of Fannie Higginbotham to William Garrison in 1801, and of Mary Higginbotham to Henry Boling in 1809. We surmise that the Fannie and Mary Higginbotham were daughters of Robert; or they may have been sisters of Moses.

The places of the birth of Moses Higginbotham and his wife, Elizabeth (or Betsy) are unknown. We have been unable to get

their marriage record or to find out the maiden name of Betsy. Moses died November, 1826, at his old home place and was buried in the old family graveyard, afterwards known as the "Granny Higginbotham Graveyard". His widow, Elizabeth, survived him about nineteen years.

There were eleven children born to this union, eight sons and three daughters, namely: William K., Moses, James, Joseph, George, Aaron, Charles, Thomas, Rachel, Frances, who married Balaam Boling in 1816; and Jane, who married Samuel Sayers.

It appears from the records in the Clerk's Office of Tazewell County, that Moses Higginbotham owned considerable property at the time of his death. He had a good deal of land lying around or near Liberty Hill. There were over four hundred acres in his home place, of the "old plantation", as he described it in his will. He devised this to his sons, Charles and Thomas. In 1838, Charles sold and conveyed his interest in the home place to his brother Thomas, and in 1852, Thomas sold and conveyed it to his nephew, Thomas J. Higginbotham, a grandson of "Old" Moses, and in 1879, Thomas J. Higginbotham devised same to his daughter, Nannie L., wife of the late Hon. Albert P. Gillespie, of Tazewell, Virginia. Her daughter, Nannie Bane, wife of Hon. George C. Peery, still owns it. So that Moses Higginbotham's "old plantation" is still in the family, belonging to his great-great-grand-daughter.

In addition to his lands, he left a large amount of personal estate, valued then at about \$5,000.00; most of it consisting of nine slaves, appraised at about \$3,000.00, and they were divided up among the heirs.

The bill of appraisement of his personal property is interesting. It is signed by Rees Bowen, William Barns and William Thompson as appraisers, and by William and Joseph Higginbotham as executors. (Will Book 1, page 215.) It contains an itemized list of his personal property and of the values made by the appraisers. It shows "how times have changed" since then, and how much live-stock and farm products have increased in value. Thus, he had 500 bushels of corn, valued at \$125.00; 12 bushels of wheat, \$6.00; 15 bushels of rye, \$5.00; 9 hay stacks, \$35.00; 20 pounds of tobacco, \$2.50; 1,000 pounds of salt pork, \$35.00; 80 pounds of beef, \$3.00; 70 head of hogs, \$50.00; 7 fat hogs, \$21.00; 10 milk cows, \$60.00; 3 steers and 1 bull, \$8.00; 2 heifers, \$2.50; 10 calves, \$10.00; 7 horses, at an average of \$30.00 each; 32 sheep, \$80.00; 55 geese, \$13.75.



On the other hand, some things have depreciated in value: thus, 1 candle, \$1.00; 2 steel traps, \$3.00; 40 yards of warped thread, \$6.68; 7 bottles, \$1.25; 2 bushels of salt, \$2.50; 2 ovens, \$4.00; 9 slaves, \$3,000.00.

He appears to have been an up-to-date farmer for his time, but some of the farm tools and implements are out of use now. Among other things, he had one wagon and wagon cloth, barshear plows, scythes, sickles, wheat sieve, whip-saw, froes, and pack saddles. His household goods differed from those of the modern home. In this line, he had, among other things, 15 books, cupboard, candles, candle moulds and snuffers, spoon moulds, tooth drawers, feather beds, fire dogs, *one* looking glass, steelyards, honey pots, meal tubs, pails, coolers, water cans, dressed buckskins and trumpets. Think of the modern girl getting along in a family of eleven children, with only *one* looking glass in the house! !

Some of the cooking utensils would be out of place in a modern kitchen. He had large kettles and small kettles, ovens, big pots as well as small pots, and pot racks, and frying pans.

But in many respects, this great-great-grandfather and mother were better provided than modern heads of families. They were fully equipped for manufacturing at home all the necessities and luxuries of life. Moses could make his own liquor, and he had "1 still, 14 still tubs, 3 kegs and 6 cider barrels".

In judging our ancestors, we descendants living in these days of temperance and prohibition should not look on them as distillers and moonshiners, but remember that in their day every man had the right to manufacture his grain and fruit into whiskey and brandy for home consumption or sale, and that it was the proper and usual thing for each well-to-do householder to be his own distiller.

Again, it also appears from the list of his personal estate that Moses was his own shoemaker, blacksmith, cooper and carpenter, and that "Betsy" was prepared to manufacture at home all the clothing and linen necessary for the family. Her husband had "5 spinning wheels" "1 pair cotton cards", "1 reel", "2 flax hackles", "80 warping spools" and "1 loom".

And last, but not least, he had guns, pistols, traps and a fish seine, for hunting, trapping, fishing and fighting.

This is all we know at this time about Moses Higginbotham and his wife, "Betsy", the original ancestors of the Higginbothams in Tazewell County.



As to their eleven children, we lack information as to the dates of their births. We believe that William K. was the oldest and Rachel and Thomas were the youngest. It appears that at the time of the death of Moses, in 1826, that Rachel and Thomas were under twenty-one years of age, as their mother was appointed their guardian.

Of the eight sons, only three lived and died in Tazewell County, namely: William K., James G., and Joseph; and of the daughters, only one, Fannie (or Frances) Bowling, wife of Balaam Bowling (also written Balam and Bailey, Bolen and Boling), lived and died in Tazewell County. The others lived in Tazewell for a time and moved away, going West, several of them settling in Kentucky. We believe they left Tazewell at different times between 1830 and 1850. They are found to have scattered through West Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri, Arkansas, Utah, Washington and other states. There are Higginbothams in other portions of Virginia, where they have been for many years. A good many are still found in Amherst County, and in and about Richmond.

Marriage Register No. 1, in the Clerk's Office of Tazewell County, beginning with the year 1800 (which register is copied in Vol. 1, *Annals of Tazewell County*), shows the marriages of all the children of Moses and Elizabeth Higginbotham except James G., who was married twice but not in Tazewell, and Aaron, who appears to have been unmarried in 1841, when he is supposed to have left Tazewell. It appears that Charles was married twice. Other marriages appear in this record as follows: William K. Higginbotham and Elizabeth Boling in the year 1806 (day and month not given); Charles Higginbotham and Milley Blankenship, May 21, 1811; Charles Higginbotham and Rebecca Bolland, December 26, 1826; Fannie Higginbotham and Balam Boling, February 15, 1816; Joseph Higginbotham and Millie Young, February 6, 1817; Jinney (Jane) Higginbotham and Samuel D. Sayers, September 16, 1820; George Higginbotham and Patsey Chaffin, June 21, 1822; Rachel Higginbotham and John H. Gose, April 17, 1828; Thomas Higginbotham and Gracey Goodwin, January 17, 1830; Mose Higginbotham and Ellender B. Smith, October 15, 1833.

The only information we can get as to Moses, George, Aaron, Jane Sayers and Rachel Gose is that they went west. It is said that Aaron went to Illinois and Jane Sayers to Missouri. Charles and Thomas lived in Tazewell County for some years after their

father's death. We are told that Charles was a farmer and blacksmith, and kept hotel at Liberty Hill, and that he had no children. It is said that he went to Kentucky about 1840. Thomas (or Thomas H.), who owned the old home-place of his father, sold and conveyed same to Thomas Jefferson Higginbotham in 1852, and it is stated in this deed that the grantors were of Scott County, Virginia. We do not know when Thomas left the old home place and went to Scott County. It is said that he later moved to Kentucky. His wife was a daughter of Joseph Goodwin, who lived under Morris' Knob. This is all the data obtained as to the five sons and two daughters of Moses Higginbotham who left Tazewell County, seeking homes farther west. It would be interesting to locate their descendants.

As to the four children of "Old" Moses (three sons and one daughter), who remained in Tazewell County, James G. and Joseph lived and died near their father's old home at Liberty Hill; and William K. and Fannie Bowling lived and died within a short distance of the old home—William K. in Thompson Valley and Jane Bowling on head of Pounding Mill Branch between Paint Lick and Deskins Mountains.

In tracing these four children and their descendants, we find that,

1. Fannie Higginbotham (daughter of "Old" Moses), married Balaam Bowling, February 15, 1816. They lived on a farm on head of Pounding Mill Branch. From court records, it appears that her husband was dead in the year 1842.

Their six children: 1. David, who married and lived near the old homeplace of his parents. He left several children, some of whom live in Tazewell County. We have the names of Solomon, Clinton and Annis.

2. Harvey (son of Fannie), married and left some children, who live in Tazewell County.

3. William (son of Fannie) we are told had his leg broken from stepping into the horse-power of the first separator threshing machine that was brought into Tazewell County, and died from the injury; and that he was never married. Thomas Jefferson Higginbotham "Major Jeff", first cousin of William, was the owner of this first separator threshing machine.

4. Jane (daughter of Fannie), married David Turley, of Poor Valley.



5. Betty (daughter of Fannie), married Jephtha Fallen.

6. Ellen (daughter of Fannie), of whom we have no information.

II. William K. Higginbotham (son of "Old" Moses), born about 1785; married Elizabeth Bowling, 1806.

William K. Higginbotham was a lieutenant in Captain William Gillespie's company in the service of the United States for the defense of the borough of Norfolk in 1807. See pp. 180 and 189 of Vol. 1, *Annals of Tazewell County*. He was a farmer and blacksmith; lived and died in Thompson Valley, and was buried at his old homeplace, which is now owned by his great-grandson William Thompson. We have the names of eight of his children, viz: 1. David, and 2. Jennie, both of whom we have no further record; 3. Polly, who married Jacob Asbury and went to California; 4. Rebecca and 5. Bettie, both of whom lived and died in Thompson Valley, unmarried; 6. Moses, who married ——— Asbury of Poor Valley, and went west; 7. James, (of whom further) and 8. Balaam Washington (of whom further).

7. James Higginbotham (son of William K.), born about 1815; married Vicie Turley, 1837. He died in 1893 and his wife died in 1889.

Their children: Bailey, who married Adaline Williams, 1868; Allen (dec'd unmarried); Dorcas, who married Isaac Vanhoozier in 1868; Mattie, who married James Brooks, 1874; and Margaret, who married Thomas Asbury, 1894.

8. Balaam W. Higginbotham (son of William K., Moses), born October 2, 1822; died in Thompson Valley January 21, 1889. He married Priscilla Turley in 1840. She died July 2, 1884.

He was a farmer and blacksmith. They left eight children as follows: (a) Reese Thompson, born August 16, 1841, who married Vicie Moore (daughter of the late Wm. T. Moore) in 1875. He was a farmer and lived in Thompson Valley until a few years ago he moved to Greenbrier County, W. Va., where he died. (Their children: Amanda, William, Barbara, Laura, Oscar, India, and Clintie); (b) Eliza, born January 29, 1843, who married John M. Thompson, December 10, 1875. (Their children: William E.; Lyde, who married J. B. Adams; John B.; and Pearle); (c) William Benton, born April 12, 1845, who married Julia Sexton (first wife), December, 1871 (their children: Albert, dec'd, and Edward Hamilton, who married Daisy Adkins of Smythe County, Va., July



20, 1898 and they have one daughter, Julia Beatie); (c) William Benton married Millie Allison (second wife) (four children: Thompson, Estil, Hattie and Minnie); (d) Lettie, born September 29, 1848; (e) Hannah, who married T. Z. Cecil (four children: Estil, Lettie, who married T. A. McGuire; Flavius, and Joseph A., who married Pearle Smith, March, 1907); (f) Laura, born September 24, 1855; (g) Alice, born October 22, 1856; and (h) John A., born February 22, 1860, who lives in Thompson Valley, Va.

III. Joseph Higginbotham (son of "Old" Moses), born about 1797; died September, 1877; married Millie Young (daughter of Chas. and Louisa Bowen Young), February 6, 1817. She died in 1856.

Joseph Higginbotham was a farmer, and lived and died near his father's old homeplace at Liberty Hill. He left a large family but most of them went West, and the only descendants he has in Tazewell County are through some of his daughters. The following information is all that we have as to the children and descendants of Joseph:

1. Peggy, who married James Brown.

2. Salina, who married David Humphreys, of Smythe County, Virginia, before the War between the States. She died about 1871. As to her children, we know only of her son, Moses, who was adopted by his uncle, Moses Higginbotham, who raised him and gave his farm and property to him. Moses Humphreys married Rose Buchanan and lived on "Hogback", below Liberty Hill. He died from Typhoid, leaving the following children: Hugh, Lena, David, Mary, Nancy, Joseph, Moses, and Geo.

3. Rebecca (daughter of Joseph), married William J. Jones, of Wytheville, Virginia. They lived at Liberty Hill. He died in 1887 and she died in 1902. Their children: Elizabeth, who married Thomas Cubine, of Tennessee; Tivis, who married John Whitt (two children: Kathleen and John, Jr.); Joseph, who married Lou Whitley (children: Maude and Claud); Charles W., who married Lucy J. Hankins (first wife), (one daughter, Lulu Morrisette, who married J. Thomas Worsham); and Gertrude Foster (second wife), (their children: Vara C., Ruth H., Charles W., Jr., Ida E., Joseph, and Lucy Catherine):

4. Louisa (daughter of Joseph), married Rees Green (first husband) and moved to Kentucky. She married ——— Clark (second husband).

5. Mary (daughter of Joseph) married her first cousin, John Young (son of Hugh Young). Their children: Amelia, who married Erastus Scott (their children: Bertha, who married Harry Gay and Daisy dec'd., who married W. J. Hatcher; Margaret L., who married Charles J. McNeil, of Maxwell. After his death she moved to Colorado (six children: Mollie, Pearl, Sallie, Annie May, Robert, and Walter); Willetta, who married Emmett Scott (children Lena, who married I. O. Perkins, and John).

6. Betsy (daughter of Joseph), died unmarried.

7. Julia (daughter of Joseph), married Richard Gregory, of Cove Creek.

8. Nancy (daughter of Joseph), married Jerry Clark. They moved to Kentucky.

9. America (daughter of Joseph), married James Smith, known as "Little Black Jim" or "Sheriff Jim", about 1870. They lived and died in Tazewell County, leaving a number of children, most of them going West. Two daughters remained in Tazewell: Mamie B., who married Robert Steele; and Osie, who married George Brown (first husband) and Hugh Witt (second husband).

10. Charles Y. (son of Joseph), went to Mercer County, Missouri, about 1856.

11. Moses M. (son of Joseph), married Amanda Barns in 1856. She died in 1874. He married the widow of James Thompson (second wife). He had no children, but left his property to his nephew, Moses Humphreys, whom he had raised.

12. Hugh (son of Joseph), married Nellie Prather (daughter of Johnny Prather) in 1880. He left Tazewell County and went first to Kentucky, and thence to Cherokee Strip, Indian Territory, where he died.

13. George W. (son of Joseph), married Sallie Texas Sexton in 1868. He lived for many years at the "Uncle Joe" Higginbotham homeplace, and then sold and moved to Arkansas. He had a large family. He died in 1920, and she is still living.

IV. James G. Higginbotham (son of "Old" Moses), married Elizabeth Henseley, of Washington County, Va. (first wife). She was born March 29, 1790; died September 25, 1841.

James G. Higginbotham was a soldier in the War of 1812. He was in service at Norfolk, walked there and back, carrying his flint-lock rifle. He was a farmer and lived and died on his farm under Morris' Knob, near Liberty Hill.



Their children: 1. Washington (son of James G.), married Rinda Cecil (daughter of John). He was a farmer and merchant of Liberty Hill, and had a tan-yard there. He built what is known as the "Clerk Jim Thompson House" where he lived and died, and is buried in the garden near the house. He had four sons: (a) John, who married Nannie Young, first wife, (daughter of Hugh) about 1859. (They had one daughter, Nannie, who married, in the West, a son of James Harrison). John's second wife was ——— Thornley, and they had no children. He sold his property, the Thornley house at Liberty Hill, to his brother James S. S., in 1873, and he and his said daughter Nannie, went West. (b) James S. S. was born November 18, 1843. He married Octavia Young, first wife, (daughter of Hugh), January 2, 1866. They had two children: Ava M., who married ——— Rosenheim, and Beverly C. (b) James S. S. married Hattie Hannah, second wife. (c) Samuel went to Utah and married there. (d) Thomas married Laura Watts and they moved West.

2. William E. (son of James G.), lived and died in Burke's Garden, Tazewell County, Va. He married Louisa Ward (daughter of William and Nancy Thompson Ward), September 8, 1831.

William E. Higginbotham died just before the War Between the States; and his widow and children left Burke's Garden in 1863, for Utah. They were escorted by Col. William L. Graham, in care of the Confederate Cavalry, to the Federal lines down below Grundy, Buchanan County, Virginia, and a Federal escort took them beyond the danger line. They left four children: (a) Nancy, who was the first wife of David Harold Peery; (b) Letitia, who was the second wife of the late David Harold Peery. She is still living. For genealogy of their children, see David Harold Peery, in Harman Genealogy. (c) Simon and (d) Frank lived in Ogden, Utah, and have left large families.

3. Simon (son of James G.), died unmarried.

4. Thomas Jefferson (son of James G.), born August 1, 1817; died June 8, 1879; married Nancy Bane, of Giles County, Va., April 15, 1845. She was born September 21, 1818; died May 22, 1900.

Thomas Jefferson Higginbotham ("Major Jeff") was in the War Between the States; served as Quartermaster and was known as Major Higginbotham. He sold goods in Jeffersonville, now Tazewell, for a few years after his marriage, and then bought the



"Old" Moses Higginbotham farm and other lands around Liberty Hill, to which he moved about 1856. He built the Major Jeff Higginbotham residence in the upper end of Liberty Hill. He was a farmer, merchant and stock dealer.

Their children: (a) James Bane, (b) Mary Elizabeth, (c) Mariah Jane, and (d) William Jefferson.

(a) James Bane Higginbotham (son of Maj. Jeff), born March 6, 1846; died November 11, 1894; married Sarah Louisa Allen, of Greene County, Tenn., May 26, 1870.

James Bane Higginbotham ("Bean") joined Jackson's Battery of Horse Artillery, Army of Northern Virginia, C. S. A., March 15, 1864, and served until the close of the war. He was a farmer, merchant and trader. He lived in Tazewell County all of his life except for a few years following his marriage, when he lived in Greene County, Tennessee. He is survived by his widow and two sons: Albert Sidney and Allen Jefferson.

Albert Sidney (son of James Bane) married Eugenia Dickenson (daughter of Hon. Walter L. Dickenson), of Russell County, Va., October 22, 1908. Their now children: Hortense, Albert Sidney, Jr., Rose Allen and Walter Dickenson). A. S. Higginbotham is a graduate of Hampden-Sidney College, with an A. B. degree; and of Washington & Lee University, with the degree of LL. B.; member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity; member of the Independent Order of Oddfellows; and of the Virginia State Bar Association. Practiced law in the State and Federal Courts in Virginia and adjoining states. Now largely engaged in the coal mining and selling business. He is President of Kroll-Litz Coal Company, Krollitz, McDowell County, W. Va.; of Garden Coal Company and Lewis Creek Banner Coal Co., Drill, Russell County, Va.; and Secretary and Treasurer of Bull Creek Coal Company, with large holdings of valuable coal lands in Buchanan County, Va. Residence on South Marion Avenue, Tazewell, Va.

Allen Jefferson (son of James Bane), married his first cousin, Nannie Laura Higginbotham (daughter of W. J.) of Cedar Bluff, Va., October 28, 1905, and they have one son, Allen Jefferson, Jr. A. J. Higginbotham is a farmer and live stock dealer and is interested in the coal mining business in McDowell and Russell Counties. With his mother and family, he resides on the beautiful river farm, at Pisgah, belonging to him and his brother, A. S., where the first settlement in Tazewell County was made in the year 1771,

by Thomas Witten and John Greenup at "Crab Orchard", and where was located one of the first three forts constructed by the early settlers for protection against the Indian incursions, in what is now Tazewell County.

(b) Mary Elizabeth Higginbotham (daughter of Maj. Jeff.), born May 20, 1848; died April 19, 1923; married Hon. Joseph Stras Gillespie, January 24, 1872.

Their children: William Jefferson, who married Grace Crockett, June 6, 1905 (children: Joseph Stras, John Crockett, William Jefferson, Jr., Robert Goggin, Albert Ritchie, Mary Hope (dec'd), Grace Hopkins and Margaret M.); and Nancy Olivia, who married T. Ritchie Peery, November 3, 1909.

(c) Mariah Jane (daughter of Maj. Jeff), born August 4, 1850; married J. Meek Hoge, April 15, 1874. He died June, 1924.

Their children: William Jefferson (dec'd), who married Margaret Moss, September, 1906. (Their children: Janie, Francis, Mallie and James); and Jane Nancy, who married T. Crockett Bowen, June 8, 1904. (Their children: Meek Hoge, Mariah, Rees Tate and T. Crockett, Jr.).

(d) William Jefferson (son of Maj. Jeff), born July 14, 1853; married Alice Allen, of Greene County, Tenn., May 26, 1880.

Their children: Nannie Laura, who married her first cousin, Allen Jefferson Higginbotham, October 28, 1905. (One son, Allen Jefferson, Jr.)

Mary Louise, who married Harry Wythe Bane, September 1, 1909. (Children: Virginia and William Wythe, Jr.)

(e) Nancy Letitia (daughter of Maj. Jeff) also born July 14, 1853; died January, 1914; married the late Hon. Albert Pendleton Gillespie, March 24, 1880. He died August, 1913. For their children, see A. P. Gillespie, under Gillespie Genealogy.

5. John B. Higginbotham (son of James G.), who married Mary Allen, of Giles County, Va.

John B. Higginbotham served in the 8th Va. Cavalry in the War between the States, and was wounded before Richmond, 1865. He owned the land on which the city of Bluefield, West Virginia, is now located. His residence was on the summit of the round hill which was excavated and removed to make building sites.

Their children (a) Hensley (dec'd); (b) John, "Bud", (dec'd), who married Flora Atkins. (Their children: Earl; Ruth, who married ——— Wagner; Pattie; and Bane Hensley); (c) Elizabeth,



who married Millard Dills (one of their children, Nannie married R. S. Ord, of Maybeury, W. Va.); (d) Jefferson (dec'd) married and moved to the State of Washington, where he left a widow and children.

6. Rees Bowen Higginbotham (son of James G.) married Jane Emmons, of Giles County, Va. He lived and died on his farm on Clinch River above Pisgah, now known as the O. E. Hopkins farm.

Their children: (a) Letitia, who married William G. Harrison (one daughter, Marjorie); (b) Barbara, who married W. D. Devault (first husband). One son, Beverly. She married George Devault (second husband); (c) Louisa, who married Isaac C. Dodd, December 13, 1882. Their children: William Rees, Nina May, and Janie; (d) Lavie, who married J. William Chapman. One son, Ned, who died at the age of fourteen years; (e) Ella, who married Jefferson Brown. One child, (dec'd); (e) Nancy (dec'd); (f) Albert, who died young; (g) Beverly, who died young; and (h) Mary, who married Marshall Higginbotham, of West Virginia, but not of the Tazewell branch.

7. Letitia Higginbotham (daughter of James G.) married Joseph Stras, Sr., a prominent attorney of Tazewell.

Their children: Joseph, Beverly, and Mattie (for genealogy of their children, see Stras line.)

IV. James G. Higginbotham (son of "Old" Moses) married Isabella Scott (daughter of Joseph Scott) second wife.

Their children: (a) Elizabeth, who married Charles Gibson, of Russell County, Virginia. He died some years back. She is still living in Russell County. There are six or seven children.

(b) James Garrison, Jr. (son of James G.), born January 14, 1848; died January, 1919; married Laura J. Stimson (daughter of Nelson B. and Mary J. Stimson), of Floyd County, Va., in May, 1877. She is still living.

Their children: Dr. James Nelson, who married Sarah Moss (daughter of Frank M. Moss, of Burkes Garden), March 3, 1915. They have one daughter, Laura Barns. Dr. James N. Higginbotham received his degree, M. D. at Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va., 1906. Has practiced his profession in Burkes Garden and Tazewell since 1910. Is member of Medical Society of Va.; Tazewell County Medical Society, is a partner in the mercantile firm of Boling & Higginbotham, Burkes Garden, Va. He is a



stockholder in Virginia Harlan Coal Corporation. He is interested largely in farming and grazing lands in Tazewell County. Mary Belle Higginbotham married W. E. Neel; Lena May Higginbotham (dec'd), married C. C. Brown; Rosa Lee Higginbotham married R. N. Neel. They live at Cove Creek; Letitia Stras Higginbotham married John Kinzer, of Cove Creek; and Thomas Jefferson Higginbotham married Gussie Walker, and they live at Cove Creek, Va.

### DOCTOR E. A. HOLMES.

Doctor E. A. Holmes was born September 29, 1873 at the old homestead in Tazewell County Virginia, near Five Oaks, known as "Tanglewood". He removed to Tannersville, in the same county when a young lad. He was educated in the public schools of the county and at Emory and Henry College. He graduated in medicine at the University of Virginia, June 16, 1897. Volunteered for service in the World War and received appointment as 1st Lieutenant, Medical Department, U. S. A., September 12, 1918. Served as assistant Surgeon in the 12th and other Battalions, 153rd Depot Brigade, Camp Dix, N. J. Was medical officer assigned to care for one movement of soldiers from Camp Dix to Camp Grant, Ill. Was discharged from the U. S. Army, March 4, 1919 on petition of citizens of Broad Ford, Va. and at special request of the Virginia State Board of Health, because of the urgent need of physicians due to the epidemic of Influenza.

Dr. Holmes is the son of the late Major E. A. Holmes, C. S. A. who was also a civil engineer by profession. Major Holmes served as surveyor of Tazewell County for many years, until his death which occurred in 1887.

### HOPKINS.

The Hopkins family history begins with Col. Arthur Hopkins, who was a physician. He was born in New Kent County, Va., about 1690. Between 1710 and 1715 Col. Hopkins married Elizabeth Pettus (daughter of Capt. Thomas). Between 1732 and 1765 Albemarle County records show three land grants to Col. Arthur Hopkins, aggregating over 4,000 acres. In 1752 he was commissioned Col. of Horse for Goochland Co. His will was recorded March 12, 1767.

Their children: (1) Samuel, who married Isabella Taylor; (2) John; (3) Arthur, who married Miss Jefferson; (4) William,

who married Elizabeth Moon; (5) Dr. James; (6) Elizabeth; (7) Lucy; (8) Mary, who married Joseph Cabell in 1752; (9) Isabel; (10) Frances; (11) Jane; (12) Amelia; and (13) Anna.

(2) John Hopkins (Col. Arthur), whose will was admitted to record July 3, 1776. His children were: 1st. John; 2nd. Francis; 3rd. David; 4th. Rev. Charles, born 1736; 5th. Frances, born January 27, 1738; married Col. Littleberry Leftwich, January 13, 1778; 6th. Mary, born July 14, 1739, married Col. John Otey; 7th. Peter; 8th. William; 9th. Elizabeth; 10th. Sarah.

2nd Francis (John, Col. Arthur), born about 1737; died in Bedford County, Va., 1804. He married Jane Cox, of Eastern Virginia.

Their children: (a) John; (b) Price, who married Elizabeth Turner, first wife, 1801; and married Frances G. Clator (second wife, December 13, 1812. He died July, 1845; (c) William, who married Elizabeth Clarke; and (d) Martha, who married John Walden April 6, 1786.

(a) John (Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born October 6, 1775, in Bedford County, Va.; died there March 19, 1821; married Mary Turner (daughter of Rev. James and Sallie Leftwich Turner), September 2, 1800. Mary Turner's mother was a daughter of William Leftwich, who was a Lieut. Colonel in the Revolutionary War, and a Capt. of Militia in the Colonial War.

Their children: I. Sallie Leftwich, born November 28, 1801; married James G. McAllister, April 17, 1820. (Their children: John, Mary and Nancy); II. James Turner, born March 6, 1803; married Mary Early, December 15, 1824; died May 12, 1856. III. Francis, born January 21, 1805; married Emeline Cook, October 31, 1835; IV. Jesse Turner, born December 13, 1808, died September 5, 1877; V. Elizabeth A., born May 24, 1810, married I. A. Quarles, January 29, 1828; VI. John Calvin (see further); VII. William Leftwich Turner (see further); VIII. Harriet, who died young; IX. Mary Jane, born January 31, 1819, married William Henry Mathews, a Presbyterian minister, February 22, 1848. (Their children: Sallie, who married ——— Ford; Mary Fannie; and Harriet, who married ——— Brown; X. Harriet Burr, born February 12, 1821, married Robert G. Bell, December 1, 1841. Their children: Sarah, Mary, Robert, and Kirk).

VI. John Calvin Hopkins (John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born August 13, 1812; died July 20, 1889; married Maria M. Barnes (first wife), September 22, 1839. He married Louisa B.



Gillespie (second wife), June 20, 1844. Elizabeth Ann Tabler, of Frederick, Md. (third wife), July 1, 1847. She was the daughter of Christian and Sallie Thrasher Tabler. She was born August 9, 1823; died February 23, 1891.

Their children: (a) John Calvin, Jr., (b) Martha Rosalinda, (c) Mary Grace, (d) Francis Alexander, (e) Otis Eugene, (f) Jesse Turner, (g) William L. Goggin (dec'd), (h) Sarah Elizabeth (died in infancy) (i) Alexander St. Clair (died in infancy), and (j) Lavalette Estelle.

(a) John Calvin Hopkins, Jr. (John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born January 25, 1849; married Mousie L. Martin, August, 1874.

Their children: Elizabeth Ann, who married George Dimick (their children: John Morton and George); Mary Grace, who married Joseph Matheson (one child, Joseph); Nell, who married Ed. Hughes (one child, Ed. Jr.); John Martin, who married Lucy Shepherd (first wife). After her death he married Thelma Tucker, December 31, 1924.

(b) Martha Rosalinda Hopkins (John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born May 1, 1850; married George Oscar Thompson (son of Archibald and Polly Thompson) March 6, 1873.

Their children: Mary Grace, who married Harvey George Peery (son of Jas. S. and Maria Witten Peery), March 30, 1918; Rebecca Elizabeth, who married James O. Gibson, January 29, 1904 (Children: Martha, Elizabeth, Oscar Thompson, John R., Ann Price and Mary Ella); Georgia Alice; and Archie.

c. Mary Grace Hopkins (of John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born March 8, 1852; married John W. Crockett, October 30, 1872. See Crockett Genealogy for their children.

d. Francis Alexander Hopkins (John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born May 27, 1853; died June 5, 1918; married Alice Gray Davidson, November, 1876.

Francis A. Hopkins went to Prestonburg, Kentucky, in 1774, where he was soon admitted to the bar and became one of the leading attorneys of Eastern Kentucky. He was chosen a delegate to represent the counties of Floyd, Knott and Letcher, in 1890, in the convention which framed the present Constitution of Kentucky. In 1902, Mr. Hopkins was elected to the Fifty-eighth Congress and in 1904 was re-elected, serving in the Fifty-ninth Congress. In 1916, he was elected as a delegate at large, from



Kentucky, when Woodrow Wilson was re-elected to the Presidency. Their children: (a) Joseph Davidson (died in infancy); (b) Elizabeth Anne, who married William Henry Layne; (children: Elizabeth Grace, Frank Hopkins & Ruth Angeline—Elizabeth Grace married E. R. Burke. They have one child, Alice Gray); (c) Mary Martha, (died in infancy); (d) John Calvin, III, an attorney; was appointed a member of Governor Stanley's Staff, 1915; was Govt. Appeal Agent for the local board of Floyd Co., and served as a member of the Legal Advisory Board of Floyd Co. for two years during the World War. He married Valentine Pieratt, December 15, 1909. One son, John Calvin, IV. (e) Josephine Davidson, who married Thomas Edward Dimick, September 7, 1904—one daughter, Alice Hopkins).

e. Otis Eugene Hopkins (John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born May 29, 1853; married Rebecca Williams Peery, 1881. She was born September 7, 1857.

Their children: Sarah Alice, who married Mike Ziegler (children: Charlotte, Elizabeth, John, Alice and Otis H.); Elizabeth Ann, who married Arthur Graybeal (son of Monroe) February 23, 1907; (one son, Hopkins); Albert Peery, who married Katherine Dwyre (children: Mary and Katherine V.); John Calvin, who married Stella Vermillion (one daughter, Elizabeth); Robert Smith, who married Agnes Johnson; Martha Grace; and James Edward.

Robert Smith Hopkins enlisted U. S. Marines, Richmond, Va., January 20, 1918. Served in Paris Island, S. C. until March 26, transferred to Quantico, Va., attached to 3rd replacement battalion. Sailed for France April 1, 1918. Attached to U. S. Marine Headquarters A. E. F. Discharged January 14, 1919, Brooklyn, N. Y.

f. Jesse Turner Hopkins (John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born June 6, 1857; married Bessie Gilmer May.

Their children: Thelma, dec'd) who married Edwin Ross Powell (children: Edwin, Robert and William); Frank Calvin; and Oscar Thompson.

j. Lavalette Estelle Hopkins (John C., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born February 14, 1865; married Gustavus A. Worsham, October 6, 1886.

Their children: John Thomas, who married Lulu M. Jones (daughter of Charles W. and Lucy Hankins Jones) June 17, 1922. He enlisted for service in World War, September 24, 1917, in Base

Hospital 41, at Charlottesville, Va. Called into active service February 26, 1918. Trained at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C. Embarked for overseas at New York, July 5, 1918. Discharged at Camp Lee, Va., May 1, 1919. He received his degree of Ph. G. from Richmond Medical College, 1914. Associated with A. Greenewald Drug Store, Richmond, Va. from 1915 to 1925, at which time he established the John T. Worsham Drug Store at 1 North Belmont Ave., Richmond, Va.

Elizabeth Ann (dec'd), who married Lawrence G. Kuhn, December 28, 1915. (One child, Elizabeth); and Mary Jane.

The following extracts on the Wm. L. T. Hopkins line are taken from History of Virginia, published 1924. For military services and more complete records of members of this family, see Vol. VI. of said history.

VII. Dr. Wm. Leftwich Turner Hopkins (John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born in Bedford Co., Va., December 14, 1814; died August 5, 1873; married Julia Ann Muse (first wife) December 26, 1850. She was born January 2, 1824; died February 22, 1916.

Their children: 1. William Henry; 2. Mary Elizabeth; 3. Julia Sarah; 4. Harriet Burr; 5. William Leftwich Turner, Jr.; 6. Mildred Turner; 7. Ann Henry—all now deceased except Wm. Leftwich Turner, Jr.

5. William Leftwich Turner Hopkins, Jr. (Dr. Wm. L. T., John, Francis, John, Col. Arthur), born September 1860; married Mary Ella Hancock (first wife), December 26, 1882. She was born March 14, 1858; died May 4, 1890.

Their children: (a) William Benjamin, who graduated at the University College of Medicine, at Richmond, in 1907—spent one year at University of Vienna, Austria, from which he received his diploma, 1914. Dr. Hopkins is now a specialist on diseases of eye, ear, nose and throat, at Richmond, Va. In 1922, Governor Trinkle appointed W. B. Hopkins on the Board of Permanent Commissions for the deaf and blind. He married Mary Nickolson, May 6, 1923.

(b) Oscar Leonidas, who was educated grammar and High Schools of his county and in Roanoke College; studied law at Richmond University, and is now practicing attorney at Roanoke, Va.

(c) Abram Hancock, who attended Roanoke College two years then entered Washington & Lee University, and graduated with degrees of B. A. and LL. B. in 1912. Elected Commonwealth's Attorney of Franklin in 1916. He is now practicing law with his



brother, Walter L., at Richmond, Va. under the firm name of Hopkins & Hopkins. On June 3, 1919, he married Katherine Walker Dabney Lee; and their two children are Nancy Saunders and William Benjamin.

(d) Walter Lee, who attended William and Mary College three years; and then entered Washington and Lee University, from which he received his B. A. degree in 1912, and degree of L. L. B. in 1914. He practiced law at Rocky Mount, Va. until May, 1917, when he enlisted in the U. S. Army. After the close of the war he was engaged as Associate Member of the War Department Board of Contract Adjustment until September, 1920. Since then he has resumed the practice of law with his brother, Abram H., in the firm of Hopkins & Hopkins, Richmond, Va. On December 23, 1917, he married Alice Edington Peake, and they have one child, Mary Edington.

William L. T. Hopkins, Jr., married Mary Ann Rebecca Smith (second wife).

Their children: (a) Clack Dickenson, who was educated at Roanoke College, and University of Virginia, from which he was graduated B. S. and M. D. in the class of 1923.

(b) Mary Alma, graduate of Blackstone College, class of 1920, and in 1922 received degree of B. S. from Jackson College, Boston, Mass.

(c) Annie Elizabeth, who is now a student at Skidmore College, Saratoga, N. Y.

(d) Lawson Muse, who attended Roanoke College and is now a student at Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Virginia.

#### LAIRD FAMILY.

David, James and John Laird were in Campbell's regiment in the battle of King's Mountain, October 7, 1780, and James and John were killed. We find in the Archives of the Virginia State Library, the following records: "Laird, David (Capt.) C. J. 1776-7, 348; H. D. Oct. 1776, 112. Laird, David War 4, 48. Laird, James (en) Heitman, 255. Laird, David (Capt.) (10 V. R.) 10 Va. 3rd Dec. 1776; Dismissed 13 Jan. 1778. W. D. 199, 1; W. D. 210, 1. Laird (Lard, Leard) David (8 V. R.) W. D. 175, 1; (12 V. R.) W. D. 242, 1, 4. Laird, James (Va.) Ensign, Virginia Rifleman; mortally wounded at Kings Mountain, 7th October 1780, and died 11th Ooctober 1780."



We have seen no record of the fact but upon the authority of a well founded tradition in the Laird family corroborated by other circumstances, we believe that the James Laird above mentioned, was the father of John Laird of Tazewell County, Virginia. It is stated in Pendleton's History of Tazewell county, that, "James Laird was a member of the company that went from Tazewell (to Kings Mountain) and joined Campbell at Wolf Creek."

Samuel Laird, who married Christina Harman, was the son of John Laird; and John Laird was the son of Ensign James Laird who was mortally wounded at the battle of Kings Mountain. Samuel Laird took an active part in politics; served as postmaster of Jeffersonville (now Town of Tazewell), and held positions in the government service at Washington, D. C., covering a period of several years. He was appointed coroner of the county in 1827, and constable in the 2d Battalion in 1835; and also deputy sheriff of the county. He represented Tazewell county in the Virginia House of Delegates at the session of 1845-6.

John Laird, father of Samuel, was one of the most active and influential citizens of Tazewell county, following its formation; was one of the Justices of the county Court from 1809 till his death in 1831. He was appointed Constable in 1803; Treasurer School Commissioners 1824; Commissioner of the Revenue for the county in 1829; and held various other positions of trust. He was buried near Pisgah, only a few hundred yards from the site of the old fort built by Thomas Witten and others about 1773, known as "Craborchard Fort". The tombstone which marks his last resting place is in a fair state of preservation now.

#### LAIRD MARRIAGES.

Laird Marriage Records—Washington County, Virginia:

Janey Laird and Samuel White, July 29, 1788.

Joseph Laird and Annie Laird, July 31, 1788.

Letitia Laird and Samuel Marrs, August 5, 1788.

Agnes Laird and John Lawless, 1793.

Elizabeth Laird and John Moody, 1796.

Children of Christina Harman and Samuel Laird: (1) Christina E., (2) Nancy Maria, (3) Malvina Jane, (4) Rhoda Helen, (5) John, (6) Samuel Houston.

(1) Christina E. died in infancy; (2) Nancy Maria married Martin Preston of Paintsville, Ky.; (3) Malvina Jane married Col. William W. Brown; (4) Rhoda Helen married William R. Talley,

and moved to Indiana; (5) John Armer, who died unmarried; (6) Samuel Houston, who married Rachel White Witten (daughter of James Richard Witten).

Samuel Houston Laird was a farmer and teacher and it is said he taught the first free school in Tazewell county, following the adoption of the Virginia Constitution of 1869, providing for free schools in the State. While interested in farming, he devoted nearly thirty years of his life to teaching and educational work in the county.

Children of Samuel H. and Rachel Witten Laird:

- (1) Mariah Matilda, who married A. G. Ratliff;
- (2) John William, who married Eva May Cooley;
- (3) James Robert, who married Eva St. Clair Tynes, (daughter of Capt. A. J. Tynes);
- (4) Edwin Floyd, who married Mary Emma Dickson;
- (5) Coralie Rachel, who married James W. Harman (son of J. N. and Bettie Harman);
- (6) Cassandra;
- (7) Thomas Oscar;
- (8) Kate Christina, deceased; and
- (9) Samuel Richard, who died in infancy.

*Note:* For complete genealogy of the Laird line, see Harman Genealogy, pp. 115 to 122, and also for the James Richard Witten line, see elsewhere in this book. Both genealogies prepared by Coralie Laird Harman.

### LINKOUS FAMILY.

John Linkous moved from Montgomery County, Virginia to Tazewell County about 1830; he died in 1883 or 1884, aged about seventy-five years. His children were : 1. William P., 2. Mary, 3. Milburn, 4. Rebecca, and 5. Martha J.

1. William P. Linkous, born July 9, 1828, died November 24, 1882, married Mary B. Cecil, daughter of Henry Cecil. Mr. Linkous was a Primitive Baptist preacher and began preaching at the age of twenty-four years. He was highly respected by all who knew him and was considered one of the leading preachers of his denomination. The children of William P. and Mary Linkous were: (a) John Ezra, (b) Rebecca C., (c) Hannah J., (d) Henry P. (e) Margaret Carolina, (f) Mary Sarilda, (g) Robert E. Lee, (h) Cynthia and (i) William W.



(a) John Ezra Linkous, born July 20, 1853; married Mary Sparks, daughter of Jonas J. Sparks, about 1875. Following in the footsteps of his father he became a Baptist preacher. No preacher of that Church stands higher in the estimation of those who know him than he. Their children: Polly R., Charles B. and Elizabeth Jane. Pollie R. was born December 6, 1876 and married Robert C. Hankins (their children: Sidney E., Pearl, Bertha, Blea, Elbert, Alice, Robert, Lawrence, Albert, Clarence and Wanita); Charles B., was born November 10, 1878 and married Mollie Turner. (Their children: Peery B. and Rufus B.); Elizabeth Jane was born October 18, 1880 and married A. M. Whitt. (Their children: Mazie Dell and Blair.)

(b) Rebecca C. Linkous married Joseph Asburry.

(c) Hannah J. Linkous married Sheffy Pruett. (Their children: Minnie Belle, Paul, Joseph, Archie Lee and Oscar).

(d) Henry P. Linkous, born September 22, 1858, married Mary J. Sparks, daughter of J. William Sparks. (Their children: Raleigh, Bettie, Cynthia, Joseph A., Jonah B., Thomas, Robert and Luther).

(e) Margaret Caroline Linkous married Reuben Sparks, first husband, and after his death she married Charter Pruett. Her children by first marriage were Ernest and Levisa; by second marriage: Ezra, Roscoe, Roy and Travis.

(f) Mary Sarilda Linkous married Thomas Sayers, son of Captain D. G. Sayers. (Their children: Eva, Mary Lou, Arthur, who married Lucy Beavers; Hattie, Olbert, who married Stella Sparks; David, Monroe, and Walter.

(g) Robert E. Lee Linkous, married Cynthia Sparks, daughter of John T. Sparks. (Their children: Otis, Clarence, John T., Cavie Lou, William, Thomas, Fred and Bessie.

(h) Cynthia Linkous, married Mat Whitt, son of Archibald Whitt.

(i) William W. Linkous, married Sallie Sparks. (Their children: Joseph, Rosa, Lee, Stella and Everett.)

#### THE LITZ FAMILY.

Johannes Litz is the first Litz that we have found in the records. He immigrated to the United States, from Germany, on the ship "Furtherance", from Rotterdam, November 30, 1750.



Johann Philip Litz immigrated to the United States, from Germany, on the ship "Patience", landing in Pennsylvania September 9, 1751. It is believed that the Litz family in this section are descendants of this Johann Philip Litz.

Mare Catherine Litz, a widow, who came from Pennsylvania to Virginia, is probably the first of that name in Virginia. It is believed that she was the widow, of Johann Philip Litz, and that she left Pennsylvania soon after her husband's death. She died in Wythe County, Va., in 1809. She had a son, William, who died in Wythe County, in 1845. William Litz had a son, Leonard, who married his first cousin, Elizabeth Gose. Elizabeth Gose was born October 13, 1778; died August 31, 1845. They were the parents of Colonel Peter Gose Litz.

Peter Gose Litz (Leonard, William, Mare Catherine and Johann Philip), born in Wythe Co., Va., April 25, 1802; died April 3, 1880; married his cousin, Sarah Gose (daughter of Philip and Elizabeth Spangler Gose), April 8, 1824. She was born April 6, 1805.

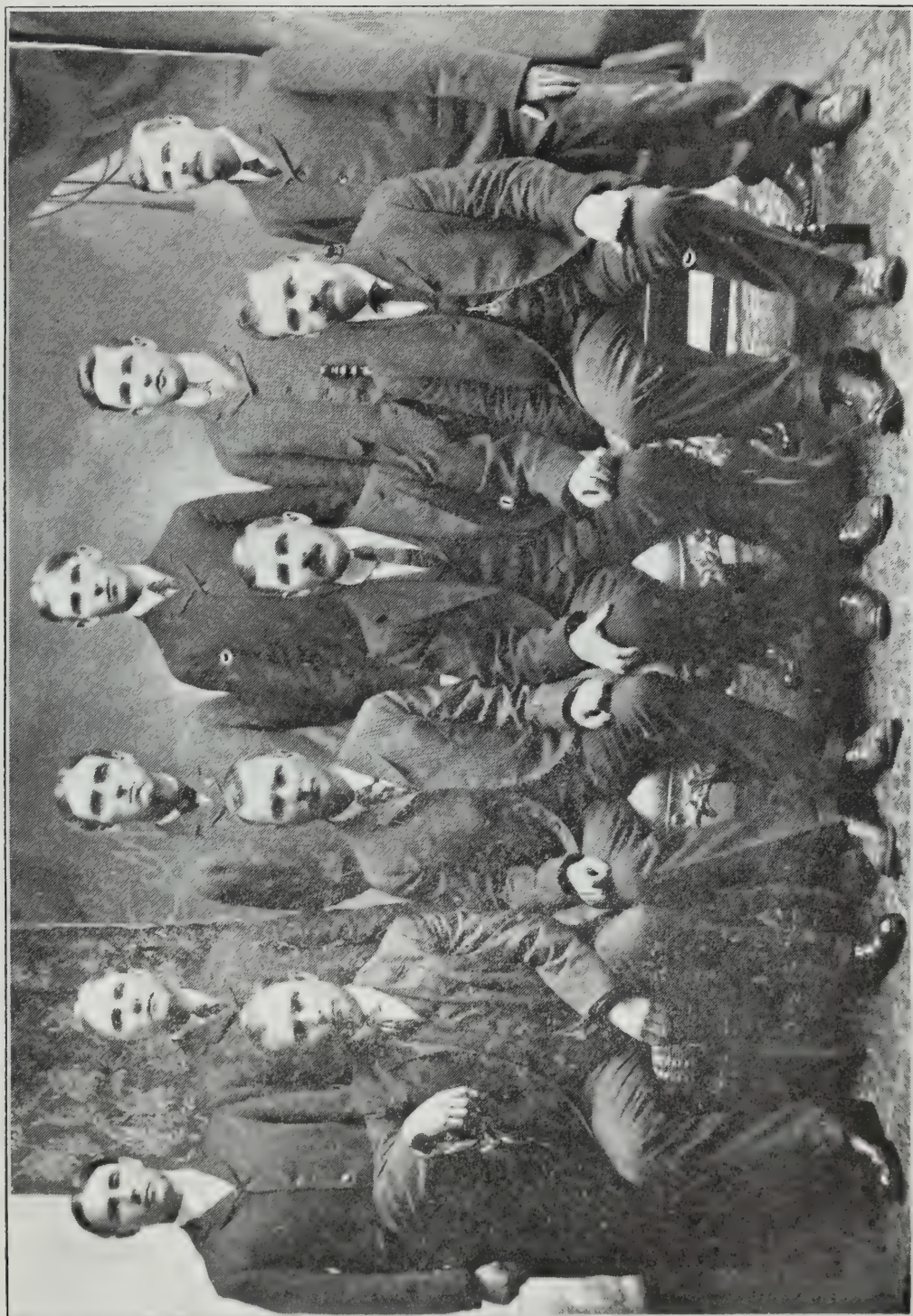
Their children: I. Margaret, born July 17, 1827, who married Richard H. Kinnamon, July 18, 1844 (two children: Sarah and Julian); II. Elizabeth S., born May 12, 1829; III. John Tiffany; IV. William S., born April 23, 1837; V. Mary B., born October 30, 1839; and VI. Sophronia, born October 27, 1841, died December 3, 1869; and two children, who died in infancy.

III. John Tiffany Litz (Col. Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Catherine who is believed to have been the widow of Johann Philip Litz, the immigrant), born April 18, 1834; died February 11, 1901; married Elizabeth Emily Thompson (daughter of Lindsey and Annie Lucas Thompson), October 5, 1859. She was born May 28, 1839; died January 28, 1898.

John T. Litz was an officer of the militia prior to the War between the States. He was lieutenant of the organization known as the "Tazewell Troopers". During the progress of the war he was taken prisoner and was confined in the military prison in Camp Chase, at Columbus, Ohio, until the end of the war. He was universally recognized as one of the most honorable and upright citizens of the county and filled other positions of trust, elsewhere set forth in these annals.

John T. and Elizabeth Thompson Litz had the following children: 1. Samuel Thomas; 2. Sallie Ann; 3. Nannie Atelia, 4. John Lindsey, 5. David Harold Peery, 6. Peter Gose, 7. Alma Z., 8.





The ten Litz Brothers, sons of John T. and Elizabeth Thompson Litz.



Residence of A. Z. Litz, Tazewell, Va.



James Gordon; 9. George William; 10. Maroni O.; 11. Mollie Katherine, 12. Bettie E., who died in youth; 13. Joseph Frank; and 14. Gratton Alexander.

1. Samuel Thomas Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), born July, 1860; died May 2, 1909; married Sallie V. Dills, of Giles Co., Va., November 9, 1887. She was the daughter of Susanah Virginia (Stafford) and Granville Henderson Dills.

Samuel Thomas Litz early became identified with the development of the industries of this section. He was a railroad contractor, and also engaged in real estate business. While he attained a degree of success in business, his greatest value to himself and the community in which he lived was achieved through his deep spiritual nature and his works as a christian man. To him is largely due the successful establishment of the Graham Baptist Church, of which he was a charter member. His affectionate devotion to his family was remarkable. He left his children a richer heritage in his strength of character than he did in material possessions.

Their children: Beverly Dills Litz, who served as a private in Company "D," 318 Infantry, 80th Division, during the World War, his Serial No. 1821115, entrained at Tazewell, Va., September 21, 1917, enroute to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Virginia. This company was in training, under Captain Echols—who later was made a Lieutenant Colonel, until late in May, 1918, when they embarked on the transport, Leviathan, arriving at the Port of Brest on May 30, 1918. Left Brest on June 2nd and arriving at Calais June 4th. September 29th, the Battalion was engaged in the attack Bois-de-Brieulles, in which engagement Beverly D. Litz was wounded by a shell. From this time until about the middle of December, he was in various hospitals, at which time was on board hospital ship, New Zealand, arriving at Newport News December 22, 1918. Entered Walter Reed Hospital at Washington, D. C., January 2, 1919, remaining here about a month. Discharged from Camp Sherman, Chillacothé, Ohio, February 4, 1919.

Susie Elizabeth Litz (daughter of S. T.), married T. W. Davis of Honaker, Virginia, June 10, 1918. They have two children: Margaret Jacqueline and Susanne Litz.

Helen Litz (daughter of S. T.) married Luther W. Bates of Bluefield, Virginia, September 8, 1921.

Sallie Olivia Litz (daughter of S. T.), began to show her musical ability when just a child. She sang in many school and church programs. She specialized in music at Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, Va., her teachers being Frederick Marten and Samuel T. Schroetter. In 1921 she graduated in voice and in 1922, she received a post graduate diploma in voice and also received a diploma from S. T. Schroetter in piano. In the fall of 1922, she went to New York City, where she has studied three years from Herbert Witherspoon. She sang over radio station WEAf, and in December, 1922, her voice was heard in London, and is said to have been one of the first heard across the Atlantic Ocean over the radio. November 12, 1923, with Miss Inez L. Main, she assisted Miss Alice A. Westbrook, dramatic artist, in concert at Christ Church Cathedral, Parish House, Hartford, Conn. Miss Litz was a member of the Wheatcroft Opera Co., New York City, which put on the play "Hans and Gretsel" for benefit of the Knickerbocker Hospital. She also sang in concert for the Lions Club Banquet at Commodore Hotel, New York, in the spring of 1925. While at home during vacations, she has taken part in many events and programs, both on the Virginia and West Virginia side of the twin city of Bluefield. At the banquet given during the celebration of the changing of the name of Graham to Bluefield, Virginia, Miss Litz sang and was complimented by the two Governors, Trinkle of Virginia and Morgan of West Virginia. She also sang at the Memorial Baptist Church at a lecture given by Congressman Will D. Upshaw, who paid a beautiful tribute to her voice, calling her "Virginia's Nightingale". During the spring of 1925, Miss Litz sang for Shubert of New York City and was voiced in the Operetta entitled "The Student Prince in Heidelberg". This operetta is one of the biggest sensations in the musical light opera world of today. They played in Philadelphia for eight weeks, Atlantic City, six weeks, and now in Springfield, Mass., on their way to Boston where they are booked for six months.

Isaac Mann Litz (son of S. T.) is a law student at University of Richmond, Virginia.

2. Sallie Ann Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), born \_\_\_\_\_; died \_\_\_\_\_; married Harvey G. McGuire, \_\_\_\_\_. He died \_\_\_\_\_.



Harvey G. McGuire was a farmer and stock dealer, and resided at North Tazewell at the time of his death and for many years previous. He was a highly respected citizen.

Their children: Nancy, who married John H. Bowman; John G., who, in December, 1924, made the world record for number of insurance policies written in one month, and has been chosen by his company to represent the Eastern half of the United States in a six month's contest for writing insurance. He married Inez Thomas. (Their children: Frances, Elizabeth, John J., Jr., and Catherine Ann); Lindsey, who married Carrine Buchanan; George, who married Marjorie Combs. (Their children: Joseph Al., Rachel Ann and Helen Marie); Joseph; Katherine, who married Brown Harman; Walter; Gladys; Litz and Sallie.

3. Nannie Atelia Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), born March 26, 1863; married Rages Sluss, September 22, 1886.

Rages Sluss is a farmer residing near North Tazewell. His principal business, however, is that of Civil Engineering. He occupies a high place in that profession. He spent some time in this work in South America. Mr. Sluss' services are now in constant demand in Tazewell and Buchanan counties, Virginia, and McDowell and other counties in West Virginia.

Their children: Charles Walter, who married Annie Cassell. (Their children: Louise, Charles W., Jr., Clara Elizabeth, and Ellen Augusta); Edison, who married Mary Ward. (Their children: Carl B., Catherine and Ann); Annie, who married Howard Peery. (Their children: Joseph Emery and Daniese); Kathleen, who married Claude Armbuster. (Their children: Hazel Marie, Ethel, Claude, and George Litz); James A., who married Osie Belcher (one daughter, Julia Antoinette); Malvin Hill, who married Mayme Cook; Joseph; Rages, Jr., George; and Nannie B. Atelia.

4. John Lindsey Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), married George A. Dickenson, March 15, 1888.

After spending his early life on his father's old homestead in Burkes Garden, in Tazewell County, Virginia, and attending the public schools of the county, John L. Litz spent three years in Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va., where he held the rank of First Lieutenant. After leaving school, he served with



the civil engineer corps at Pocahontas, Va., until January, 1887, at which time he became a member of the engineering staff working for the Norfolk and Western Railway Company. He is an owner of extensive coal and timber lands in Virginia, West Virginia, and Kentucky, and is president of the Litz Coal Corporation of Letcher County, Kentucky. He also owns valuable land near Coeburn, Va., where he resides. He served two terms as Mayor of the town of Coeburn, and represented Wise and Dickenson Counties in the Virginia House of Delegates, session 1910.

Their children: Robert, who married Elsie Hughes; and Mabel, who married Dayton Baker. (Their children: John L., Jr., George, June and "Michie".)

5. David Harold Peery Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), married Ella Howard (daughter of Franklin Howard).

David Harold Litz was a farmer and stockdealer. He died at his home near Morristown, Tenn., at the age of fifty-five years.

Their children: Thomas, who married Cora Freeman (one son, David Graham); Joseph Edward, who married Grace Simpson (two children, Edward and Joseph, twins); Kathleen, who married Fred Hale (one son, Fred, Jr.); Walton, who married ———Courtney; Clarence; Frank; Ross; Margaret; Vivian; and Harold.

6. Peter Gose Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), married Lula Brown.

He is engaged extensively in fruit growing, and resides in Wise County, Va.

7. Alma Z. Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), born August 24, 1869; married Etta V. Stauber (daughter of Tobias and Cornelia Loesch Stauber), of Winston-Salem, N. C., December 20, 1899.

Their children: Annie Elizabeth, Loesch Stauber, Al. Z., Jr., Conrad Beverly, Etta Frances, dec'd., Daisy Katherine, Ethel Margaret, and one adopted daughter, Edith Evangeline ("Jack").

A. Z. Litz was reared on his father's farm, near Burkes Garden, until he was sixteen years of age, which developed in him a strong love for farm life. He received his education in the public schools of the county and graduated at Tazewell High School. Mr. Litz and the late William F. Harman head the list of Tazewell boys who started in life without means and achieved great wealth. He owns and resides in the handsome residence located on his splendid

farm in the southern part of the town of Tazewell. He owns other farms in Virginia, West Virginia and Texas. His great financial success, however, has been in dealing in, and in the operation of his extensive coal lands in Virginia, West Virginia, and Kentucky. He is a stockholder and officer in several companies engaged in the development of various industries and has been a valuable asset to them and a large contributor to the common welfare of his country. Reference is here made to a fuller sketch of his life given in Vol. V, "History of Virginia" (1924), by Bruce. While Mr. Litz has accumulated a large estate in lands, stocks, bonds and money, this has not subordinated his higher and better characteristics of mind and heart. His hearing has not been dulled to the call of the needy by financial success. His sympathies for worthy causes and needy people are today as warm and responsive as in the days of his struggles as farmer, clerk in stores, and various other positions he has held as employee.

8. James Gordon Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), married Lucy Stewart.

James G. List is an unusually active and useful citizen. He is a resident of Bluefield, W. Va. Is one of the most valuable and successful agents of the New York Life Insurance Company. During 1924 he attained an unusual standing with his company and won the premium for efficiency among his class for amount of premiums secured.

Their children: George, James G., Charles Tiffany and ——.

9. George William Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), born October 24, 1872; married Ethel Wakefield, December 29, 1910; died July 20, 1916. They had one daughter, Helen Elizabeth.

August 20, 1916, issue of the "Bluefield Daily Telegraph" appeared a sketch and appreciation of George W. Litz, written by his friend, Landon C. Bell, which sets forth his life and character, from which we have taken the following extracts: "The W. M. Ritter Lumber Company was organized in March, 1901, and almost from the beginning George Litz has in one way or another been identified with its interests. . . . Resolutions respecting his death passed by the board of directors of this company.

"By the inscrutable will of God the life of George W. Litz came to a close in Gastonia, North Carolina, on the twentieth day



of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen, his death resulting from a serious injury received in an accident on the Carolina and Northwestern Railway eight days before. For seventeen years he was in the employ of this company in various capacities, and at his death occupied the responsible position of assistant to the president. His counsels were wise; his abilities were unusual and versatile; his life was true and honest; his character was pure gold. Loyal and true in all his relations and endowed with gifts of a high order, the officials and board of directors of this company regarded his services as invaluable, and placed implicit faith in the man, and unlimited confidence in his ability and judgment. By the life he led, the character he exemplified, and by a remarkably magnetic personality he endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. This board, while bowing to the will of the Supreme Being that rules our destinies, greatly deplores and mourns his loss as an able and brilliant business associate and as a close and trusted companion and friend."

10. Maroni O. Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), born August 13, 1874, in Burkes Garden, Va.; married Judith Effler (first wife), October 27, 1908. After attending the public schools, she was a student at Martha Washington and Sullins Colleges. She died June 20, 1920.

Their children: Maroni O., Jr., Rawie, Barbara, Dorothy, and Josephine.

M. O. Litz took college work at Tazewell College (now extinct); was principal of Graham, Virginia, High School for two years. He entered University of Virginia, 1900, from which school he received his LL. B. in the spring of 1902; was admitted to the Virginia Bar in June, and to the West Virginia Bar in September, 1902. He was a practicing attorney at Welch, West Virginia from 1902 to 1923. From 1915 to 1923, he was a member of the firm of Litz & Harman. At other times previously he was associated in the practice of law with George W. Howard and F. C. Cook, of Welch; James D. Francis of Huntington; Landon C. Bell of Columbus, Ohio; Judge Harold A. Ritz of Charleston and Greever and Gillespie of Tazewell, Virginia.

On December 24, 1922, Mr. Litz was appointed, by Governor E. F. Morgan, to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, to succeed Judge George Poffenbarger. On November 4, 1924, Judge Litz was elected to serve a term of twelve years on the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia.



On April 26, 1922, M. O. Litz married Mabel F. Cain of Knoxville, Tennessee. She received her education in Knoxville City schools, University of Tennessee and Columbia University, receiving from the latter school, degree of Bachelor of Arts.

11. Mollie Katherine Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), who married Thomas R. Smoot.

Their children: Richard, Frank, Katherine and George.

Thomas R. Smoot was born in Tazewell County and is one of the most popular and successful commercial travelers this section has ever produced. His energy, pluck and his proverbial good humor and cordial handshakes are valuable assets to him and the wholesale house for which he works.

12. Bettie Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), died young.

13. Joseph F. Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), who married Mrs. Hattie Steele.

Joseph F. Litz owns and operates the home farm, a few miles north of the town of Tazewell, and is a live stock dealer. As a useful and honored citizen he maintains the high character of the family.

14. Gratton Alexander Litz (John T., Peter, Leonard, William, Mare Katherine and Johann Philip), died at Huntington, West Virginia, at thirty-two years of age. He was a real estate broker. He was rapidly attaining success and distinction in business life, when death cut short his career.

#### LOCKHART FAMILY.

In 1800, James Lockhart was a member of the first grand jury of Tazewell County. In 1804, he was appointed Lieutenant in the First Battalion, 112th Regiment of Militia.

In the absence of complete records, it is assumed that James Lockhart is the oldest known ancestor of the Lockhart family in Tazewell County, and that he married Rachel Totten, who was born March 4, 1747. It is shown by the Bible record that she was the mother of Bird Lockhart. Bird Lockhart, born September 19, 1787; died June 16, 1860; married Nancy McIntosh, March 17, 1803. She was born February 2, 1785; died August 25, 1865.

In 1833, Bird Lockhart was a Justice of the Court. He was elected commissioner of the revenue for the Western District in

1837. He was re-elected commissioner of the Revenue in 1839 and 1841. In 1853, he was authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony.

Their children: 1. Rachel, 2. John M., 3. Elizabeth, 4. Milton, 5. Mark T., 6. Elijah, 7. George, 8. Nancy, 9. Bird T., 10. Elisha, and 11. Patton J.

1. Rachel Lockhart, born May 27, 1804; died June 11, 1879; married James Brewster, January 7, 1819.

Their children: (a) Nancy, who died in infancy; (b) Sallie, who married John Claypool and moved to Kentucky; (c) Betsy, who married Floyd Whitt; (d) Polly, who married Thomas Whitt; (e) Bird, who married Bettie Whitt; (f) Rebecca, who married Axley Lockhart (see Axley line); (g) Margaret, who married Harvey Barrett; (h) Milton, who died during the War between the States; (i) Ebenezer, who married Bettie Hankins; (j) Isabelle, who married Richard Steele; (k) Hannah, who married Crockett Pack; (l) Andy, who married Sallie Myers; (m) Morgan, who married Mary Hankins (see Hankins line); and (n) Rachel, who died young.

2. John M. Lockhart, born March 14, 1806; married Sarah McGuire, May, 1822. She was born February 21, 1800.

In 1839, John M. Lockhart was elected Justice of the court, and in 1841, he was appointed constable.

Their children: (a) Cynthia Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born March 12, 1823, married William M. Stephenson, September 15, 1842. Their children: Benton Stephenson, who married Boween Stephens (children: Joseph; Mattie, who married Charles Ball—they had one child, Kermit; and others who died young); Margaret Stephenson, who married George Cecil and moved to Kentucky; Sallie Stephenson, who married Thomas Brewster. Their children: Blair Brewster, who married Florence Caldwell (children: Mary and Sarah, twins, and two sons, whose names are not obtainable); Rosa Brewster, who married Charles Grinstead (children: Margaret Louise, and three others whose names are not obtainable); Margaret Brewster, who married Armen Dailey (children: George B. and Robert Witten).

(b) Martha Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born July 17, 1824, married Jeremiah W. Steele, March 11, 1845. They moved to Morgan County, Ky., and no further record.



(c) Elijah Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born February 18, 1826, married Joicy J. Bowling, September 4, 1849. Their children: Evelina, who married Joe Jevaden; John; George and Emma. All went to Kentucky.

(d) Mary Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born November 8, 1827, married John W. Claypool, January 28, 1847. They moved to Kentucky.

(e) Axley Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born November 5, 1829, married Rebecca Brewster, April 5, 1853. Their children: William, who died young; John Floyd, who died young; Cynthia, who died young; James M., David, Sarah Rebecca, and Harvey Smith.

James M. Lockhart (Axley, John M., Bird, James), married Elizabeth Vandyke. Their children: Josie, who married William Hankins, son of Richard Hankins. (Their children: Dewey, Reaber, Louise, and Bascom); Ida, who married John Harrison (children: Payton, Charles, Catherine, Claude, and David); Clarence, who married Bertie Brooks; Virgie, who married Walter Lester; Myrtle, and perhaps others.

David Lockhart (Axley, John M., Bird, James), married Nannie Whitt. Their children: Blanche, who married Ed. Bandy, and Lawrence.

Sarah Rebecca (Axley, John M., Bird, James), born June 24, 1866, married Charles Thomas Patton, March 1, 1883. He is the son of George W. and Mary Pate Patton. Their children: Mary Edith, who married John W. Hash, January 15, 1907 (one adopted daughter, Ethel Josephine); Callie Rachel, who married Samuel May Lambert, June 29, 1904 (children: Charles, Louise, Mayola, dec'd., Samuel M., Jr., Judson, and Bettie Joe); Edna Rebecca, who married Fields McMillan, September 8, 1909 (children: Delaurice, Franklin, Elizabeth and Lucille); Walter Lloyd, who married May Bayless, December 10, 1909 (one daughter, Juanita); Dora Cynthia, who married Frank Gravely, March 12, 1919 (one son, Frederick Stultz); George Axley, who died young; Ethel Lee, who married William Franklin Hagy, December 9, 1918 (children: Edith Lorraine, Georgie Pauline, Billie Antionette, and Peggy Hope, who died in infancy); and Georgie Gertrude, who married William Lewis Bourne, May 1, 1925.

Harvey Smith Lockhart (Axley, John M., Bird, James), born September 3, 1868; married Bettie Beavers (first wife), September,



1895. Their children: John, and Reba, who married George Stoots. Harvey Lockhart married Mattie West (second wife) in 1902. Their children: Callie, Bridget, Gertrude, Axley, Greever, Marjorie, William, Cecil and Cynthia, twins and another, whose names is not obtained.

(f) Milton Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born November 8, 1831, married Rebecca Brown, September 1853. Their children: Dr. John Floyd Lockhart, who married Emma Peerat, and others, whose names are not obtainable. All went to Kentucky.

(g) Harvey Lockhart, twin to Simon, (John M., Bird, James), born September 19, 1833, married Mary Steele, December 31, 1856. Their children: Angeline, who married John Greene; Lilly, who married a Mutter; Sarah; William; John Floyd; and a daughter.

(h) Simon Lockhart, twin to Harvey, (John M., Bird, James), born September 19, 1833, married Elizabeth McLaughlin, October 13, 1870. They went west, and we were unable to get further record.

(i) Louisa Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born October 9, 1835, married Eli Steele, first husband, July 10, 1856. Their children: Charles, who married Kansas Ferrel; Wade, who married Millie Gillespie, first wife, and they had two children, Charles and Henry—see Gillespie line. Wade married Mrs. Mary Kelly (nee May), second wife; James, who married a White; *Louisa Lockhart* married William Ferrell, second husband, October 15, 1872. They had two children: Foster and Frazier, who married a Stinson.

(j) Smith Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born August 5, 1837, married Josephine Barnett, May 22, 1867. Their children: Edgar, who married Chloe McCoy (two children: Pearl, who married John McClintock, first, and a Mr. Gibbs, second husband, and Harry); and Dewitt.

(k) George Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born January 24, 1840, married Rebecca Steele, first wife. Their children: Charles and Louise. George Lockhart married Virginia Payne, second wife, January 30, 1868. They removed to Kentucky. No further record.

(1) Floyd Lockhart, twin to Matilda, (John M., Bird, James), born December 4, 1841. While in the service of the Confederacy during the War between the States, he contracted typhoid fever and died. He never married.

(m) Matilda Lockhart, twin to Floyd, (John M., Bird, James), born December 5, 1841, married John Sizemore, October 29, 1866. Their children: William, Floyd, George, Virginia, Albert, and a daughter. All moved to Kentucky. No further record.

(n) Evaline Lockhart (John M., Bird, James), born November 19, 1844, married Isaac Hankins, January 1, 1884. One son, Benton, who died in infancy, and perhaps others.

3. Elizabeth Lockhart (Bird, James), born January 2, 1811, died July 12, 1862, married Archibald Brewster, January 5, 1826. No further record.

4. Milton Lockhart (Bird, James), born October 24, 1812, married Rebecca Brewster, March 30, 1834. In 1833, Milton Lockhart was appointed constable for the Western District of Tazewell County. We have no further record.

5. Mark T. Lockhart (Bird, James), born December 3, 1815, married Nancy Deskins, first wife, February 25, 1835.

Their children: Julia, who married a Walker; Ellen; Rachel, who married Ed. Patrick; Stephen, who married a Harman. Mark T. Lockhart married Katie Whitt, second wife. They had one son, George.

6. Elijah Lockhart (Bird, James), born May 8, 1819.

7. George Lockhart (Bird, James), born March 26, 1821, married Elizabeth Brown, April 14, 1840.

8. Nancy Lockhart (Bird, James), born May 19, 1823.

9. Bird T. Lockhart (Bird, James), born September 1, 1826, married Sally Brooks, September 2, 1847.

10. Elisha Lockhart (Bird, James), born March 16, 1828, died in infancy.

11. Patton J. Lockhart (Bird, James), born June 8, 1831, married Caroline S. McGuire, July 17, 1849. She was born November 9, 1832. They had one daughter, Celicia, who died young.

Patton J. Lockhart was one of the most popular and best loved preachers of the county. He belonged to the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

#### THE MAXWELL FAMILY.

On account of the prominent part the Maxwells performed during the pioneer settlement of Tazewell County, as well as the positions of honor later occupied by their descendants, our space here is too limited to undertake a history of the family. The reader is



referred to Pendleton's History of Tazewell County, published in 1920, for many statements therein concerning various members of the family, and especially reference is here made to pages 342-343 for a condensed statement. In Volume I, Annals of Tazewell County the readers will find frequent references to members of this family. Therefore, only a brief outline of the genealogy of the family will be herein noted. (See also pp. 374 to 379 of this volume.)

James Maxwell, of Scotch Irish descent, came from Ulster, Ireland, to Pennsylvania, and settled there in the early part of the eighteenth century. He married a Miss Roberts, and moved to Augusta County, Virginia, (now Rockbridge Co.). He had three sons: Thomas, James and Robert. Thomas and James settled on Bluestone, and Robert on Plum Creek in Tazewell County about 1771 or 1772. Thomas was a noted Indian fighter and a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He was in the battle of King's Mountain. Was made Captain of Militia of Washington County, and was killed by the Indians at Maxwell's Gap while taking part in the rescue of the wife and children of Thomas Ingles, who had been made captives in Burke's Garden by a band of Shawnee Indians. James Maxwell was a soldier and Indian scout in 1774, and was later a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He was the first Sheriff of Tazewell County, which was formed in 1800.

Robert Maxwell, who settled on Plum Creek had eight children, namely: Robert, Mary, John, Margaret, James, Jennie, Mattie and Elizabeth. Jennie and Mattie were killed by Indians in 1781. Margaret married David Whitley.

James Maxwell, son of Robert, married Mary Witten. Their children were: 1. Robert, 2. Witten, 3. James, and there were two daughters.

1. Robert Maxwell (son of James), married Margaret Bates. Their children: (a) Thomas, (b) James W.

(a) Thomas Maxwell (of Robert, of James), married Martha Gillespie, daughter of William B. Gillespie. He died during the second year of the War between the States. Thomas and Martha Maxwell were the parents of two children: Robert, dec'd., and Mary, who married Cum Taylor. The children of Cum Taylor and Mary Maxwell Taylor are: Mattie, who lives in Washington, D. C.; Bess, who married John McFarland; Nell, who married John McCauley; Margaret, who married Albert Peery, son of J. E.



Peery; Kate, who married Ward Peery, son of J. E. Peery; Robert, who married Margaret Todd; Frank; and Hugh, who married Evangeline Albert.

(b) James W. Maxwell, (of Robert, of James) was born May 3, 1840, and married Parmelia Ann Deskins, daughter of George W. Deskins, August 27, 1872. He died October 21, 1924. They had the following children: Wyrene Parmelia; Margaret Joanna; John Rader, who married Minnie Cecil; James Sidney; Clara Cecil; Robert L., who married Leola Daily; George Bates, who married Margaret Mahood; and Virginia, who married T. W. Gillespie.

2. Witten Maxwell (son of James), married Alsie Quicksall. Their children: Frank and Jane, dec'd. Frank married Evaline Leedy and they had the following children: Martha, who married Robert M. Sparks; Mary, who married John Maxwell; Albert, who married Kate Bolling; John Henry, who married Mary Umbarger; George, who married Susie Bush; and Sallie, who married Raymond Ellis.

3. James Maxwell (son of James) married Nancy Lawson. Their children: James Worth; Sallie, who married Ebb Lawson; Frank who died age 24 years; and John, who married Mary Maxwell, daughter of Frank and Evaline Leedy Maxwell.

James Worth Maxwell (of James, of James), married Lou Barrett, first wife. Their children: Myrtle, who married Tuck Cooley; Georgia, who married Thomas Long; Nannie, who married Isaac Taylor; and Tiny, who married Clay Trivett. James Worth married Ruth Patrick, second wife. Their children: Drayton, who married Josie Cole; Harry, who married Willetta Beavers; and Ivory. (See also pp. 374 to 380.)

#### GENERAL JOSEPH MARTIN.

General Joseph Martin was born in Albemarle County, Virginia, in 1740. When a mere boy he ran away from home and was with Thomas Walker at Fort Chiswell, (now Wythe County, Virginia) where a treaty was held with Standing Turkey, an Indian chief, who piloted the party west. On the way they named Walker's mountains and Walker's creeks for Walker. They established a fort in what is now Lee County, named it Martin's fort, for young Martin, which name it retains to this day. They named Powell's river and Powell's valley after a Doctor Powell, who was a member of the party, and when they arrived at Cumberland Gap, Walker

took from his flasks a lot of wine, and water from the spring in the Gap and drank to the health of the Duke of Cumberland and named the river Cumberland river, the mountains Cumberland mountains and the gap Cumberland Gap. The Duke of Cumberland having shown Walker some special kindnesses while he was in England on business for the colony.

On their return they must have come up Clinch Valley. The tradition being that when they arrived at about where Captain Ed. Peery formerly lived, (now Burkes Garden siding) they fell in with a lot of Indians, who told them that across the mountain they could find black rocks that would burn. They followed the Indians to what is now Pocahontas and thus discovered the now famous Pocahontas coal in now Tazewell County, and being the first white men who discovered coal west of the Alleghenies.

Joseph Martin was afterwards one of the Commissioners who established Washington County and was one of the pioneer settlers in what is now Tennessee and southern Kentucky. He was an Indian agent for both the States of Virginia and North Carolina and of the United States government. Was a member of the North Carolina Constitutional convention in 1788 and many times in the North Carolina legislature. Negotiated the treaty of Hopewell and was conspicuous in the history of the State of Franklin, and a General of the North Carolina Militia.

He settled in Henry County after leaving the then western frontier and was appointed Commissioner to assist in running the lines between Virginia and Kentucky and Virginia and Tennessee served in the Virginia legislature and died in Henry County in 1808.

His youngest son, Col Joseph Martin, was the grandfather of Judge Samuel W. Williams, now deceased and Judge Martin Williams now living at Pearisburg, Giles County, Virginia; they being sons of Capt. Robert W. Williams, who married Elizabeth Pocahontas Martin, a daughter of Col. Joseph Martin, as his second wife. Capt. Williams served his county in the Virginia legislature and was a large farmer and tobacco manufacturer in his day. Capt. Robert Williams first married a Miss Watkins, a sister of Mr. William Watkins who lived in Tazewell County many years and died here. To this marriage was born a son, Benjamin Watkins Williams who came to Tazewell and located as a young lawyer. He helped to form Buchanan County in 1858 and was appointed



the first Commonwealth's attorney of the county of Buchanan and died in Tazewell during the Civil war and was buried at Cedar Bluff.

Joseph Martin, the grandfather of Samuel W. and Martin Williams was a large land and slave holder in Henry County, served his district for fifteen years in the Virginia Senate and was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1829-30 and it was after him that the present town of Martinsville, the County seat of Henry County, was named. He had a son, William Martin who served three terms in the Virginia legislature, was a member of the constitutional Convention of 1850, and a Colonel in the Confederate army.

Judge Samuel W. Williams came to Bland County in about 1872 and practiced law regularly in Tazewell County until his death in 1921. He was Commonwealth Attorney for Bland County many years, served a term in the Virginia Senate, was Judge of the Circuit Court of Tazewell for a number of years, was the Democratic nominee for Congress in 1896, but was defeated by Gen. James A. Walker, and was Attorney General of Virginia for four years. He first married a Miss Grayson of Bland County and his second wife, now living was a daughter of the late Major R. R. Henry of Tazewell.

Judge Martin Williams came to Bland County when a mere boy, studied law with his brother and practised in Tazewell regularly until he moved to Giles. He was Commonwealth's Attorney for Bland County was Judge of the County Courts of Bland and Giles counties, was appointed one of the board of Worlds Fair managers from Virginia in 1893, representing Giles and Bland Counties in the Virginia Legislature for ten years, was Floor Leader of the House for six years, was the author of the bill allowing the State to advance money for the erection of school houses, was largely instrumental in the legislation establishing the present high school system, was the author of the enabling act under which the State voted dry, and many other bills now on the statute books of Virginia in the line of constructive legislation. He is now Commonwealth's Attorney of Giles County. He married Nannie Mustard, of Bland Co., a niece of Capt W. G. Mustard, Dec'd., of Tazewell Vounty.



## MAYS FAMILY.

Statement of Benjamin Rush Mays, Tazewell, Virginia,  
November 11, 1922.

"My paternal great-grandfather, Joseph Mays, came from Dublin, Ireland, on a ship to Charleston, S. C., which ship was wrecked by the Spanish near the coast at Charleston. He was captain on this ship, and was captured by the Spanish, but escaped at or near Charleston, and came to (now) Pittsylvania County, Virginia, and there married \_\_\_\_\_. They had one child, so far as I knew, to-wit, Fleming Mays. Fleming Mays married Nickatie Thorpe, probably of Mt. Airy, North Carolina. They had three children—boys—Ira Preston Mays, Joseph Jackson Mays and Dr. Jonathan Fleming Mays—preacher.

*Ira Preston Mays*, married Malinda Schaffer of Wythe County, Virginia and had twelve children—nine of whom were raised: (1) Mary C., single—died when young; (2) William Dailey Mays, who married Ella Simmerman in Fountain County, Indiana. (3) Dr. John Flemming Mays, who married Celia Gillespie of Tazewell County, Virginia. (4) Jacob Shaffer Mays—died young, while single. (5) Preston Cooper Mays, who married \_\_\_\_\_ LaComb of Washington, D. C., and he went from there as a missionary to the Indians in Arkansas and has not been heard of since. (6) Benjamin Rush Mays, who married Ella White Witten, daughter of Dr. Raleigh Witten, Tazewell County, Virginia. (7) Ann Mays who married John Eads of Mt. Airy, N. C. (8) Eliza Mays, who married Edmund Jackson of Richmond, Va. (9) Missouri Mays, who married Cloyd Jackson of Richmond, Va.—a brother of Edmund.

*Joseph Jackson Mays*, married Evaline Davis of Tazewell County, Virginia, daughter of James Davis of Burkes Garden, who later moved to Cedar Bluff and owned the Higginbotham place on Indian Creek. Joseph Jackson Mays and wife had one child, George Mays. George married Kate Cecil, daughter of Witten Cecil of Tazewell County, Va., and they had five children (or more) viz: (1) Nannie Lou who is now in Texas. (2) Edgar C., Norfolk and Western Conductor, who married Belle McClintock of Tazewell County. (3) Joseph Jackson, Jr., Single, of Los Angeles, California. (4) Mabel. (5) Gracie, single, Alabama.

*Dr. Jonathan Fleming Mays*, who married Mattie Durham of Winston, North Carolina and had one child, Lena, who married ——— Mathews of North Carolina. Dr. Jonathan Fleming Mays died at Knoxville, Tenn.

My Grandfather, Fleming Mays was a United States Captain of the army in the war of 1812, and my grandmother, Mary, drew a pension.

My father, Ira Preston Mays, was a Captain in the Confederate Army.

Dr. Jonathan Fleming Mays was a Missionary Baptist preacher. My father, Ira Preston Mays, was a preacher of the Christian Church also my brother, Preston C. Mays, who was a missionary to the Indians."

### THE MOORE FAMILY.

Joseph and James Moore immigrated to America and settled in Pennsylvania about 1726. Their brother, John, and sisters, Margaret and Rachel remained in Ireland.

Joseph died about the year 1727 or 1728, while in a course of preparation for the ministry in Pennsylvania.

James, after his arrival in America, married Jane Walker, daughter of John Walker. She also was born in Ireland and had come to Pennsylvania soon after James and Joseph Moore.

James and Jane Walker Moore had the following children: John, Mary, Rachel, Elizabeth, Margaret, who died in infancy, James, Joseph, Jane, Alexander, who died young, and Samuel, who died in infancy.

John Moore (son of James) married his cousin, Jane Walker (daughter of James). They lived in Rockbridge County, Virginia, where he died. They had seven children: James, who married a Miss Todd. They moved to Lexington, Kentucky, where James was the head of Transylvania University for some time; Mary, who married John Walker; John, who married a Miss Steele; Betsy; Alexander; Joseph and Jane—of whom we have no record.

Mary Moore (daughter of James), married a Paxton first husband and they had one son, Samuel; she married Maj. A. Stuart, second husband, and they were the parents of four children: Alexander, Betsy, Jane and Priscilla.

Rachel Moore (daughter of James), born 1736, died January 30, 1826; married James Brown (son of Samuel and Mary Moore



Brown). Two children: John, who married Virginia Tompkins (children: Mary Moore, who married a Mr. Pearsall; Rachel, who married a Mr. Crouch of Charleston, W. Va.; Anna Boone, who married Rev. John Tilford; Rebecca, who married John Harris, of West Virginia; Nellie, who married Rev. Henry McLaughlin, Greenbrier County, W. Va.; Virginia; Gertrude; and Elizabeth); and Samuel, who died unmarried.

Elizabeth Moore (sister of James), married Michael Coalter. Their children: David; James, Dec'd unmarried; Elizabeth, who married Joseph McPheeters; John, who married Frances Tucker, third wife, (daughter of St. George Tucker, who was a Judge of the Superior Court of Virginia); Jane, who married John Naylor; Margaret, who married a Ward, of Harrison Co., Ky., and afterwards removed to Missouri; Micajah, died unmarried; and Mary, who was the first wife of Beverly Tucker.

James Moore (son of James), married Martha Poage. He was Capt. and served under Gen. Greene in the Revolutionary War. Their children: John, James, Jane, Joseph, Mary, Rebecca, Alexander, William, and Margaret.

On July 11, 1786, James Moore and five members of his family were massacred by the Indians. The rest were captured and later the mother and Jane were burned at the stake. James, Joseph and Mary were the only members of the family to escape death at the hands of the Indians. James had been captured two years before the massacre and had been sold for an old gray horse, to the French by whom he was held for three years before he was restored to his family. See Vol. 1, p. 419, etc.

James Moore (son of James, James), married Barbara Taylor. Their children: (a) James Rutheford, born 1798, who went to Texas; (b) Martha Poage "Patsy"; (c) Joseph and (d) William Taylor.

(b) Martha Poage "Patsy" Moore (James, James, James), born January 28, 1800; died December 25, 1888; married Rev. Abram Still, (son of Bozias and Mary Lydia Still), January 22, 1822. He was born in Buncombe Co., N. C., August 25, 1796, died December 31, 1867. He was licensed to preach and was ordained by Bishop Roberts, 1821. They went early, as Methodist missionaries to Kansas.

Their children: Edward Cox Still, born January 15, 1824; James Moore Still, born February 5, 1826; Dr. Andrew Taylor



Still, born August 6, 1828; Barbara Jane Poage Still, born November 29, 1830; Thomas Chalmers Still, born July 6, 1833; John Wesley Still, born February 17, 1836; Mary Margareta Still, born September 10, 1838; Morovia Marsden Still, born October 9, 1843; and Cassandra E. Still, born October 10, 1846. Only one of these children, Mrs. M. M. Clark, is now living. She lives in Kansas.

Dr. Andrew Taylor Still was the founder of the first school of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Missouri. He married Margaret Vaughan, first wife, January 24, 1849. They were the parents of five children: Marusha, Abraham Price, George W., Susan B., and Loranzo Waugh—all dec'd young except Marusha, who died July, 1924.

Dr. Andrew Taylor Still married Mary Elvira Turner, second wife, November 25, 1860. She was born September 24, 1834, died May 28, 1910. He died December 12, 1917. Their children: (a) Dudley Turner, who died in infancy; (b) Marcia Ione, who died in infancy; (c) Charles Edward, who married Anna Ryder (children: Harold Ryder, died in infancy; Helen Gladys, died in her twentieth year, unmarried; Andrew Taylor, died in his tenth year; Mary Elizabeth and Charles Edward, Jr.); (d) Harry Mix, who married Nancy Miller (children: Fred Mix, who married Blanche McGinnis—one son, Andrew; and Richard); (e) Herman Taylor, who married Bessie Updyke, first wife, (one son, Eugene Updike, who married Katherine Sullivan) (e) Herman Taylor married Lottie Garrison, second wife, (one son, Herman Taylor Jr.); (f) Fred, who died at twenty years of age; and (g) Martha H. Blanche, who married Dr. George M. Laughlin, April 11, 1900 (two children: Mary Jane and George Andrew). Dr. George M. Laughlin is the President of Kirksville Osteopathic College, and is Doctor of General Surgery and Orthopedics of Laughlin Hospital, Kirksville, Mo.

(c) Joseph Moore (James, James, James), married Rhoda Nicewander of Bland County, Va. Their children: Martha, who married Joseph Addison Moore; Mary B., who married William B. Shannon; Rhoda, who married Elias Hale, September 28, 1843; Harvey, who married Jane Moore; Cynthia; Artelia, and Nancy) last three died unmarried.

(d) William Taylor Moore (James, James, James), born March 7, 1802; died December 30, 1891; married Matilda D. Peery, first wife, (daughter of George Peery), September 10, 1829. She was born January 26, 1811 and died January 1, 1842. They had two children: Elvira, who died in infancy; and Lavinia W., who married

Cyrus McDonald, September 14, 1852. (Their children: Dr. W. J., Charles Black, Rev. Rush, Walter C., Ollie P., and Rev. James E.).

(d) William Taylor Moore married Mary "Polly" Barns, second wife (daughter of Wm. and Levisa Ward Barns), September 10, 1844. Their children: Robert Henry, born 1845; killed in battle of Winchester in 1864; Matilda P., James Charles, William Luther, Levisa W., Oscar B., Barbara J., born 1857, married Joseph S. Moss, November 25, 1896; Clinton Dennis, who died in infancy; and Mary E., born 1863, who married William A. Davidson (son of Joseph), October 14, 1891.

Matilda P. Moore (daughter of Wm. Taylor), born 1847, married Samuel P. Mustard, October 3, 1872. For their children, see Mustard line.

James Charles Moore (son of Wm. Taylor), born 1849, married Sarah Taylor (daughter of John W.), December 25, 1872. Their children: W. O. Moore, who married Ella Wiley (children: Robert, Oscar, James, Elizabeth, and John T.); Margaret Moore, who married R. C. Mustard; Barbara Moore; Sallie Moore, who married Roy Beamer (children: Byrum, Charles, Robert, and William T.); and Brown Moore.

William Luther Moore (son of Wm. Taylor), born March 31, 1851, married India Taylor, first wife, (daughter of John W.), July 9, 1879. One daughter, India, who married Dr. Rufus P. Copenhagen, August 7, 1907 (children: Virginia S., John W., Margaret B., and Rufus P. Jr.). See Copenhagen under Barns line.

William Luther Moore married Mildred R. Smith, second wife, (daughter of James Q.), March 19, 1885. Their children: Robert H., who married Margaret St. Clair (daughter of Geo. W.), December 1, 1920 (two children: Robert H., Jr. and George W.); Mary E. Moore, who married Charles Robert Brown, Jr. (son of Rev. C. R. and Sarah Cooper Brown), May 18, 1921; and Barns T. Moore.

Hon. William Luther Moore, aside from the efficient management of his considerable private business, has served well in several positions of public trust. He was a steward in the Methodist Church at Liberty Hill for twenty years before his removal to the town of Tazewell, where he now resides. He was elected a Justice of the Peace in 1885 and served until 1905; was Clerk of the County School Board from 1908 to 1922; represented Tazewell County in the Virginia House of Delegates, sessions 1887-88, and 1901-02. He has been a director in Tazewell National Bank



since its organization; is President of Big Sandy Coal Co., and a stockholder and director in Prestonsburg, Ky. Coal Co.

Levisa Moore (daughter of Wm. Taylor), born 1853, who married Rees Thompson Higginbotham, November 24, 1875. Their children: Amanda; William M., who married Elizabeth Morton (daughter of W. B. Morton), January 12, 1914 (one son, William Moore); Barbara, who married C. G. Rader (one daughter, Virginia); Laura, who married Cecil Rodgers, June, 1920; Sallie, who died at age of sixteen years; Lavinia, who died when five years old; Oscar; India; and Clintia, who married Robert Baldwin, Jr., June, 1921.

Oscar B. Moore (son of Wm. Taylor), born 1855, who married Rose McDonald, first wife, (daughter of Edward McDonald), 1896. Their children: William T. and Mary E., who married Randolph Marshall, June 16, 1923 (one child, Barbara Moore). Oscar B. Moore married Sallie Wilson, second wife, (daughter of C. C. Wilson), September 30, 1903. Their children: John Freeman, Rose McDonald and Oscar B., Jr.

James Moore (James, James), married Nancy Shannon, second wife, September 15, 1803. Their children: (a) Joseph Addison Moore, who married Martha Moore (daughter of Joseph Moore.) Their children: William B., A. F., James T., born January 23, 1837, who married Sarah A. W. Caldwell (daughter of Edward Caldwell), December 18, 1867. James T. was a member of Co. "H," 45th Virginia Infantry during the War between the States (children: Martha India, Margaret E. and Ora Virginia); Luther, who died in young manhood; Jane, who married Rev. W. E. Neel; Christina, who married David Stafford; Artelia, who married a Reynolds; Elizabeth, who married James Hendricks; and Julia, who married Andrew Hounshell.

(b) Milton Moore (James, James, James), who married Louisa Peery. They removed to Missouri. Their children: Luther, William, Virginia, who married Prof. Ardlaw; Boston, and others.

(c) Isaac Q. Moore (James, James, James), who married Elizabeth C. Tabor, September 7, 1848. Their children: Edward P., who married Sallie Whitley (daughter of James Whitley). (Their children: Rees Jackson, James A., Margaret A., who married Cary Painter, and Charles Walter); John, who died young; William Trig., who married Rhoda Caldwell (one child, Bertie); Johnston Hoge "Doc", who married Lydia Compton; Cosby, who married



Charles Wilson, February 20, 1873 (children: Hugh E., who married Ida Moore; John William; Sallie Elizabeth, who married Oscar B. Moore; Nancy, who married Charles B. Smith; Sidney Baxter, who married Eliza Adams, first, and Mary Baker, second; Virginia Rebecca, who married Gratton Mustard; Charles, who died young; and May, who married Henry T. Graham); Jane, who married Columbus Moore (children: Andrew P., Ida M., who married Hugh Wilson; and James Herbert, who married May Moss); America; and Laura, who married Ed. Stephens.

John S. Moore (James, James, James), married Margaret Whitley, first wife, December 19, 1833. Their children: David Whitley, who married Jennie ——— (children: Walter and two others); Eliza, who married Robert Crockett; Nancy, who married Rev. D. A. Daugherty; James; and Jack. John S. Moore married Emily Shannon, second wife, October 3, 1853. Their children: Peggy; Elizabeth, who married a Vaughan; Electra, who married an Akers; Augusta, who married a Graham; and Lavalette, who married a Graham).

Andrew Peery Moore (James, James, James), married Nancy Jane Cummings, January 28, 1841. Their children: Flavius, who died young; Columbus C., who married Jane Moore (daughter of I. Q. Moore); George, who died unmarried; and Princess Palmira, who married Charles Black. They live in California. (Children: W. A., who died in infancy; Ora Lee, who married Henry Still; Glenn Moore, who married Eliza Adams; Charles Walter; and Janie, who died in infancy.)

Jane Moore (James, James, James), married her first cousin, Harvey Moore (son of Joseph, James, James), September 11, 1832. Three children: Samuel L., who married Martha Shannon (children: Houston, who married Grace Whitman; Mary Mariah, who married Charles McDowell; James, who married and lives in Mississippi; and others, dec'd); Mary Keziah, who married John Hale. They have one son, Elias, who married Kate Bailey (one child, John); and Sara Christina, who married Charles T. Gillespie (son of Rees B.), January 16, 1867. See Rees B. Gillespie line.

Jane Moore married Charles Fitzgerald Tiffany (son of Hugh), second husband, January 6, 1853. They had one daughter Mariah Jane Tiffany, born December 24, 1853, who married Alexander St. Clair (son of Alex. and Martha Tabler St. Clair), September 26, 1871.

## ST. CLAIRE LINE.

“Alexander St. Clair, father of the subject of this sketch, came from Ireland about 1833, and located at Wytheville, as a merchant. He there married Martha, daughter of the late William Tabler, who was for many years a sheriff in Maryland. About 1840 they removed to Tazewell county, where Alex, the son, was born on April 17, 1845. The elder St. Clair was a merchant in Tazewell C. H. about eight years, then bought land near that place, and was a successful agriculturist until his death on April 15, 1862.

In July, 1863, when the 16th Cavalry regiment was returning from Gettysburg, the younger St. Clair, then eighteen years old, joined Company “I” of that regiment at Sheperdstown, West Virginia, as a volunteer, and he was then in active service in the same from that time until the close of the war. He then returned home, and in the fall of 1865 resumed his studies at Roanoke College. He is now engaged in agricultural pursuits, living near Bluestone; is a member of Harman Lodge, A. F. & A. M. at Graham, Va., past M., S. W., J. W. His wife whom he married September 26, 1871, at her residence and birthplace, which is now their home, is Maria J., daughter of the late Charles F. Tiffany. . . . Mrs. St. Clair’s father, who died at the age of seventy-five years, was a son of Hugh Tiffany, who came to Southwest Virginia from Ireland (see p. 229, Vo. 1, of these Annals for naturalization of Hugh Tiffany). Her mother was Jane, daughter of James Moore, who was captured by the Indians in 1784 in the valley near his house, on the morning his family was massacred.” Taken from “Virginia and Virginians”, Vol 2, p. 868, published in 1888.

In 1893, Mr. StClair was elected to represent the Third Senatorial District, composed of Tazewell, Russell, Buchanan and Dickenson counties, in the Senate of Virginia. He was re-elected to that office again in 1897 and served until 1901. He discharged the duties of his high office in a faithful and acceptable manner. He served in various other public capacities which are of record elsewhere in this volume. He was blessed with an abundance of this world’s goods, but his strong religious nature saved him from the usual danger of riches. He was teacher of the Men’s Bible class in the Main Street Methodist Episcopal Church South, of the town of Tazewell, which was the largest bible class in the town.



A photograph of this class appears elsewhere in this book. On the 21st day of October, 1921, Mr. St. Clair died at his home, loved and honored by those who knew him.

Their children: (a) Dr. Charles Tiffany, who married Rose Snidow (one son, Charles T. Jr.); (b) John Alexander, who married Nannie H. Harman (children: Mariah Tiffany, Sarah Elizabeth and Jane Ellwood, twins, and Nancy Harman); (c) Dr. Wade Hampton, who married Elizabeth Alexina Armstrong (children: Wade H. Jr., and Alexander Armstrong); (d) Glenn Moore, who married Julia Pendleton (children: Julia Tiffany, Rosalinda Blow, Pauline Biddle, Jacqueline Pendleton, and Glenn); (e) Frank Tabler, who married Hersilia Susanne Crocker (one son, Frank T. Jr.); (f) Otis Eugene, who married Lillian Pryor; (g) Rob Roy, who married Mrs. Catherine (Peery) Gillespie (Children: Catherine Cecil and Rob Roy, Jr.); (h) Alexander, Jr.; (i) Sarah Mariah, who married Dr. Henry T. Haley, March 14, 1922; and (j) Rosalinda Blow, who died at twelve years of age.

James Moore (James, James) married Polly Price, 3rd Wife.

Joseph Moore (James, James), married Rhoda Nicewander. Their children: Harvey, who married his first cousin, Jane Moore (daughter of James). See Jane Moore, under James line. Martha P. Moore, who married Joseph Addison Moore, August 30, 1831. See Joseph Addison under James line; Mary Brown Moore, see further; Rhoda Moore, who married Elias Hale, September 28, 1848. No. children. Cynthia; Artelia; and Nancy—last three died unmarried.

Mary Brown Moore (daughter of Joseph, James, James), married William Shannon. Their children: (a) Joseph, who married Mary Hambrick (daughter of John Hambrick). (Their children: William, Laura, Ella, and Virginia, who died young); (b) Catlett; (c) Elizabeth, who married John Nash (children: George W. and Andrew Jackson, twins, Henry, William, Sidney, Byar, Rhoda and Hattie); (d) Mary, who married Jesse Bailey (children: Rev. W. E., Samuel, who died young; Gratton; Fannie, who married Ed. Wagner; Julia, who married Edward Tiller; Mollie, who married George Deaton; and Virginia, who married a Mr. Williams).

Mary Moore (James, James), married Rev. Samuel Brown. Their children: Rev. William L., Rev. James, Rev. Henry, Rev. Daniel, Luther, Rev. Samuel, Lavinia, who married Dr. Richard Dabney; and Fannie, who married James Morrison.



We have been unable to get a complete line on Mary Moore's descendants, but understand there were one hundred and forty preachers among them.

#### McGUIRE FAMILY—(REV. M. T. BURRIS.)

Rev. Cornelius McGuire came from Tazewell Co., Va., to what is now Floyd County, Ky., in 1795, and settled near Mr. Stratton. It was said he preached the first sermon as a Methodist preacher that was ever preached in the thirteen mountain counties of Ky.; he was rather on the tall order, full of zeal and did much good, hair somewhat brown. Mr. Stratton had great confidence in him as a Christian, and slipped close to his house to hear him pray, and this was so full of earnest pathos, that Mr. Stratton was so alarmed as to his condition as a sinner, that he rushed into McGuire's house and cried for mercy until he was happily converted, and died in the faith. Rev. McGuire was sent with a petition to the Bishop of the Ohio Conference to send them a preacher, and Benjamin Edge was sent in the fall of 1809. Rev. McGuire died at his home about 1810. He and Esther, his wife, were both Christians.

Had sons: William, married Polly Stratton (first); after her death he married Miss Amy McGuire, a second cousin, of Cedar Bluff, Tazewell Co., Va. After he died his widow lived with T. D. Burt, of North Arkansas, (postoffice Golden. Mo.) until her death. Her three children died in Kentucky. William McGuire raised several sons and daughters; those now alive live in Ky., some of them on the old farm. Several members of the McGuire family moved directly from Virginia to Edgar County, Ills., in an early day; also members of the Stratton family.

NOTE.—For names of children of William McGuire, see Vol. I, pp. 240 and 278. Other members of the McGuire family appear in various places in these Annals.)

#### THE PEERY FAMILY.

Much of the history of this family appearing herein is taken from the Utah Genealogical and Historical Magazine, the data for which was obtained by Edwin H. Peery, of Oregon, and Joseph Stras Peery, of Utah.

The Peery families of Virginia are probably descendants of four brothers who came from Scotland or the North of Ireland. The early Virginia records show that four of the name, variously

spelled Peery, Peerie, Peerrie, Perie, Pearrie, Pirie and Perry, settled in Augusta County, near Staunton, about the year 1740 or 1742. That section was at that time being settled by those who were almost exclusively Scotch-Irish, who came from the north of Ireland and Scotland. They came mostly by the way of Philadelphia, and included the families of Lewis, McDowell, Breckenridge, Gillespie and other prominent families of west and south-west Virginia.

The first four Peery settlers were John, Thomas, James and George. All of them lived and died in Augusta County, with the exception of James, whose place of death is not known. John and James were brothers; and it is probable that the other two were also brothers. There is a tradition, which is supported by some authority, that there were five brothers, Joseph Peery, contemporary with the four preceding, is claimed by some to be the fifth brother, but as his descendants claim to be of German descent, this seems improbable. However, this branch of the Peerys communicated with the other Virginia Peerys recognizing them as relatives. Many of Joseph Peery's descendants reside in Rockbridge and Botetourt Counties, Virginia. They have intermarried largely with those of German blood, among whom was the Leffel family, to which belonged the inventor of the Leffel Water Wheel. This intermarrying with the Germans may account for their supposed German descent.

The first emigration from Augusta and adjoining counties to Tazewell County occurred in 1773, when William, Thomas, John, and John, Jr. settled there. This was before the formation of Tazewell County. Others came later. In 1801 the census of Tazewell County gives the following heads of families: Thomas, David, William, George, James, James, Jr., John,, John, Jr. In 1820 the Peery families in the county had increased to twenty-five.

We therefore begin with the five pioneer settlers, as follows: 1. John, 2. Thomas, 3. James, 4. George, and 5. Joseph.

1. John Peery, who also spelled his name "Perry", lived near Staunton, Augusta County, Virginia, and died there in the spring of 1762. He was probably the "John Peary" whose name appears among the Augusta County Militia. His will is dated March 28, 1762. No mention is made of wife or children in his will. The executors, John Peery and John Kirkpatrick, gave bond in the sum of 500 pounds. He devised his estate to his brother, James and to "Mary Perey" and her children.



2. Thomas Peery was a planter, and resided near Staunton. He died in 1762 or 1763 in Augusta County. A "Thomas Peery" was a member of Captain John Wilson's Company of Augusta Militia in 1742. His wife's name was Mary; and after his death she married William McFeeters.

His children: (1) John, No. 6, below; (2) James, No. 7, below; (3) Elizabeth; (4) Margaret; (5) Agnes; (6) Thomas, No. 8, below; (7) George, No. 9 below; (8) William, No. 10 below; (9) Robert; and (10) Mary.

3. James Peery was a planter, and settled on a farm adjoining Thomas Peery. His wife's name was Katherine.

Children: (1) John, called "John, the blacksmith", of Augusta Co., No. 11 below; (2) James, No. 12 below; (3) Solomon, removed to Kentucky; (4) William, removed to Kentucky; (5) Thomas; (6) George, removed to Knoxville, Tennessee; and (7) Samuel, No. 13 below.

4. George Peery settled near Staunton, in Augusta County. He died in 1803. His name appears frequently in the court records. He signed his name Perie to deeds, but signed his will Pirie.

Children: (1) John, No. 14, below; (2) James, No. 15 below; (3) William, married Mary. No further record; (4) Margaret, married an Owens; (5) Jane, married a Johnson; (6) Mary, married a Hayes; (7) Elizabeth, married an Andrews; and (8) Martha.

5. Joseph Peery. His descendants claim that he came from Germany, and first settled in Pennsylvania.

One son, (1) Philip, No. 16 below—probably others.

6. John Peery (Thomas), known as John, the distiller. He married Sarah Jamison, daughter of John Jamison, whose mother, it is said, was brought by John Jamison from Scotland to America.

Children: (1) Thomas, who was a soldier in the Revolution; (2) John, No. 17 below; (3) David; (4) Solomon; and (5) James, No. 18 below.

7. James Peery (Thomas) removed from Tazewell County to Kentucky. Children: (1) Sallie, married William Peters; (2) Thomas, No. 19 below; (3) William, No. 20 below; and (4) Edward T., No. 21 below.

8. Thomas Peery (Thomas), born in 1749; died June, 1820; married Margaret Dennies.

Children: (1) Jonathan, No. 22 below; (2) James, No. 23 below; (3) William, married (1) a Wynn, (2) a Kinser, and had a son Harvey; (4) Thomas, No. 24 below; (5) Joseph, No. 25



below; (6) Harvey, No. 26 below; (7) Polly, married Samuel Peery, and had four children: Marie, Ellen, Jane, and James; (8) Nancy, married Jacob Helms; (9) Rebecca, married James Witten, and had five children: Harvey, Eney, Peggy, Sarah and Clarinda; (10) Permelia, married James Wilson; and (11) Eleanor, married John Chalton Williams, No. 27 below.

9. George Peery (Thomas), born July 12, 1755, died November 9, 1830. He was born in Augusta County, but came to Abbs Valley in Tazewell County. He married Martha Davidson, daughter of John Davidson, who came from Ireland.

Children: (1) Andrew, No. 28 below; (2) Thomas D., No. 29 below; (3) Joseph Davidson, No. 30 below; (4) Nancy, born September 11, 1772; married a Muse; (5) Mary, born August 26, 1779; married Thomas Gibson; (6) Martha G., born January 13, 1786; married James B. Carroll; (7) Permelia, born January 24, 1797; married William Gibson; (8) Jane, born March 20, 1791; married (1) Robert Ward, (2) William Witten; (9) Elizabeth, born February 2, 1794, died July 20, 1842; married Jonathan Peery; (10) Attelia, born April 18, 1800; married Thomas Rutledge; (11) Peggy, born April 6, 1789; married Ambrose Hall; and (12) Rebecca, born July 2, 1778, died November 12, 1836; married Archibald Thompson.

10. William Peery (Thomas), born in Augusta County, was a farmer and resided at Jeffersonville, Tazewell County. He served in the Revolution, and was in the battle of the Alamance with his brother John, who was wounded in that battle but survived. A "Thomas Peery" was killed in this battle. William was in the Illinois Campaign, with George Rogers Clark, serving as Sergeant. He married Sarah Evans. She was born in 1764 and died February 13, 1849, in Missouri. He died in August, 1830.

Children: (1) Robert, No. 31 below; (2) Polly, born June 3, 1783, married her cousin Thomas D. Peery, son of George and Martha; (3) George, No. 32 below; (4) Evans, born September 11, 1788, died December 1864; (5) Nancy, born July 22, 1790, died September 19, 1850, married Archibald Peery; (6) Olivia, No. 33 below; (7) Thomas, No. 34 below; (8) Sophia, born December 14, 1798, died March 1, 1873; (9) Cynthia, born May 24, 1800, died March, 1873; (10) Henry Fielding (M. D.), born May 14, 1802, married Caroline Smythe. No children: (11) Emily, born February 5, 1805, died March 23, 1878; and (12) Cosby, born October 29, 1809, died April 26, 1884.

11. John Peery (James), born in Augusta County about 1748, died in 1817 in Cumberland County, Kentucky. He was a farmer and resided near Tazewell, Virginia. He was married in 1772 to Nancy Martin, who died in 1798. He next married Mrs. Elizabeth Murray, widow. He owned much land around Tazewell, but disposed of it before his death.

Children of first marriage: (1) James, born in 1776, married Phoebe Pickens March 16, 1802; and had two children: James and Phoebe; (2) David, No. 35 below; (3) Catherine, died young; (4) Jane, who married Mathias Harman, and had Daniel, James, John P. and four daughters; (5) Archibald, No. 36 below; (6) George, No. 37 below; (7) Jonathan, No. 38 below; and (8) Margaret, died in 1825, married Joseph Pickens and had one son, Jonathan P.

Children of second marriage: (9) William; and (10) Harvey, born in 1807 in Cumberland County, Kentucky, married Rosa Smyth.

12. James Peery (James) was a farmer, and bought the homestead of William George in 1808, one of the first three houses built in Tazewell County. He died in November, 1821. He married Ellen Dennis, sister of Thomas Peery's wife.

Children: (1) William, No. 39 below; (2) George, went to Tennessee and died unmarried; (3) Michael, went to Texas; (4) Samuel, born April, 1784; died September 18, 1836; (5) James, No. 40 below; (6) Eleanor, No. 41 below; (7) Hannah, born June 16, 1797, died October 6, 1855, married John Daugherty, July 6, 1843; (8) Harriet, married April 20, 1802, and had Rufus, John A., Addison, Robert and Samuel.

13. Samuel Peery (James), married Elizabeth Ashmore of Knox County, Tennessee. Their children: James, William, Catherine, Elizabeth, Samuel, Mary, John, Margaret, Nancy, Annie, Dorcas, Hezekiah, and Cynthia.

14. John Peery (George), married Martha Wallis of Ireland. They lived in Franklin County, Tennessee. Their children: James, Margaret, Jane, Martha, John, Robert, Samuel, and George.

15. James Peery (George) married Jane Gilmore. Children: (1) Alexander, born in 1796 (triplet with 2 and 3); (2) Robert, (3) William, (4) George, (5) James, and (6) Margaret.

16. Philip Peery (Joseph) married Elizabeth Dilling, and resided in 1810 in Bottetourt County, Virginia. Their children: Mary Elizabeth, Dorothy; a daughter, who married ———— Unrue; a daughter, who married a Sawyer; a daughter, who married a Clapsaddle; Susan, Abraham, and Daniel.



17. John Peery (John, Thomas), born September 28, 1762, died March 5, 1844. He was known as "Silversmith"; his father as John "Distiller". He married Deborah Kidd, who was born at Staunton, Virginia, February 11, 1770. Their children: (1) Hiram Wilson, born May 11, 1788, died August 20, 1845; (2) a daughter, who married David Martin; (3) William Kidd, born August 26, 1790; (4) Mary, born March 20, 1793, married Isham Tomlinson; (5) Joshua, born March 23, 1795, died July 12, 1865; (6) Sallie, born September 3, 1797; (7) Mattie, born April 17, 1799, married David Steele; (8) John, born February 26, 1801; (9) Nancy, born May 7, 1803, married Washington Peery; (10) Elizabeth, born January 29, 1806, married a Tabor; (11) Clarissa, born February 12, 1808, married Reuben Steele; and (12) Rebecca, born August 23, 1813.

18. James Peery (John, Thomas), married Margaret Martin. Their children: Solomon; Jesse; Nancy, who married Robert Belchee; Martin, who married Ruth O. Donald; Washington, who married his cousin, Nancy, daughter of John Peery "Silversmith"; David; and Kiah.

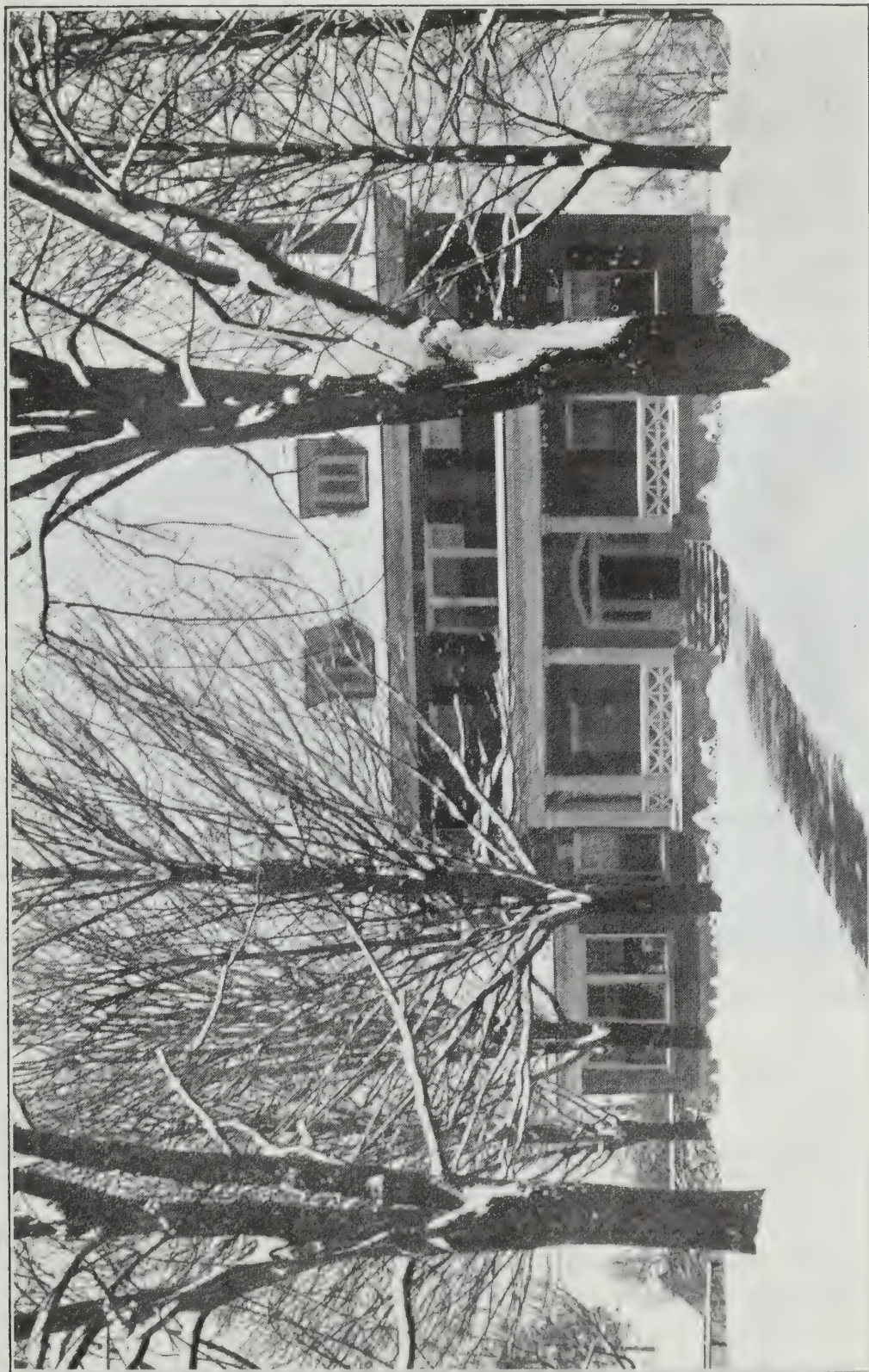
19. Thomas Peery (James, Thomas), born August 6, 1792, in Tazewell County, Va., died June 1, 1851. He removed to Kentucky, and from there to Missouri. He married (1) November 23, 1815, Mary P. Mann, daughter of Andre Mann, of Hopkinsville, Ky., originally a Pennsylvania family. He married (2) January 18, 1844, Mrs. Jane A. Field, of Clay County, Missouri.

Children of first marriage: Ann Eliza; William F.; James O.; Mary Ann; Amanda M.; Martha M.; Jasper Marion; Isabella F.; and Sarah M. Children of second marriage: Luranda; Thomas; and Amelia.

20. William Peery (James, Thomas), born February 18, 1800 in Kentucky; died May 22, 1875. He moved from Kentucky to Missouri, and then to Texas in 1844. He married Nellie McCrary in Missouri in 1826. Their children: Polly Ann; James M.; Elijah C.; William F.; Betty; Nancy; Thomas E.; Susan; David; Hettie; Samuel H.; and George F.

21. Rev. Edward T. Peery (James, Thomas) was a Methodist preacher and resided in Kentucky and Kansas City, Missouri. He was a missionary among the Indians, and he labored among the Pottowatamies, Kickapoos, Delawares, Wyandottes and Shawnees in Kansas, where his children were born. He located in Kansas





Residence of Hon. George C. Peery, Tazewell, Va.



Residence of the late Captain William E. Peery, now occupied by his son, William E. Peery.



City about 1856, and died November 28, 1864. He married Mary S. Peery, daughter of Andrew Peery (George, Thomas). Their children: Margaret Virginia; Martha Jane; Mary J.; Virginia Ann; James Andrew; Susan Talbott; Sarah Ann; Jeremiah Dummer; Francis Theodore; George William; Ella; and Edward Thompson.

22. Jonathan Peery (Thomas, Thomas), born November 30, 1780; died January 4, 1852; married Sallie Roberts. Their children: Richard; Jane, married Powell Scannon, and had a son John; Margaret, born March 10, 1819, died March 5, 1844, married Dr. Owens, and had a son, John Henry.

23. James Peery (Thomas, Thomas), married Mattie Brown, daughter of Low Brown, of Tazewell County. Their children: (1) Low Brown, born in Tazewell County, went to Kentucky; married Sheeny Collins of Johnson County, Ky., and had a son, James E., died in 1888; (2) Thomas Jefferson, born February 14, 1814; (3) William Allen, married Louisa Witten, and went to Missouri; (4) James H.; (5) Peggy, No. 42 below; (6) Martha, married (1) a Pendleton, (2) a Ward; (7) Cynthia Elizabeth, born November 16, 1824, married Francis M. Peery; (8) Sallie, married a Watson; (9) Julia Ann, No. 43 below; (10) Nancy H., born July 28, 1822; died June 12, 1853; married Samuel H. Witten (11) Polly; and (12) Jane.

24. Thomas Peery (Thomas, Thomas) was a farmer and resided in Burkes Garden, Tazewell County. He was born November 10, 1786, and died February 17, 1872. He was married May 17, 1818, to Anna Gose, daughter of David Philip and Elizabeth Spangler Gose of Burkes Garden. She was born April, 1798, and died April 23, 1857.

Their children: (1) Margaret, No. 44 below; (2) Jesse, No. 45 below; (3) Stephen, No. 46 below; (4) Elizabeth, born July 1826, died 1866 or 1867; married Isaac Hudson, and had the following children: John, Buck, Sally, Josie Molly, George, and Scannon; (5) Archibald, No. 47 below; (6) Sarah Jane, No. 48 below; (7) James, No. 49 below; (8) Sophia, born February 27, 1836; married Elias Foglesong, and had a daughter, Margaret; and (9) Thomas, No. 50 below.

25. Joseph Peery (Thomas, Thomas), born July 5, 1790; died July 1848; married Margaret Gose, March 30, 1820. She was born December 9, 1801. Their children: (1) Margaret, who mar-



ried Wesley Whitley, November 2, 1853; (2) Angeline, who married Witten Cecil, August 13, 1846. Their children: (a) Joseph, who married —————; (b) Samuel, who married —————; (c) William, who married —————; (d) Kate, who married —————; (e) Nannie, who married —————; and (f) Chesley, who married Cosby Humphrey and had the following children: Chesley, Jr.; Minnie, who married John W. Maxwell; Lura, who married Bert Ratliff; Samuel, who married Vernon Hawkins (children: Jean, Frances and Margaret); Clara, who married James Maxwell; Peery, who married —————; and Marie, who married —————; (3) Eliza, married J. Marion McGuire and had one daughter, Maggie, who married M. M. Hankins (see Hankins line); (4) Sallie, who married ————— Claypool; (5) Mary, who married Rush F. Cecil; (6) Sophronia, born February 1, 1829, died November 18, 1844; married (1) William Gose and (2) Alexander Marrs; (7) Thomas; (8) Henry, married and went West; (9) William, married Rhoda A. Sandy, and had a daughter, Sophronia; and (10) a daughter, born October 6, 1830, who died in infancy.

26. Harvey George Peery (Thomas, Thomas) was born March 25, 1801, died August 16, 1869. He married Rebecca Williams, March 13, 1823. She was born July 6, 1805, died January 2, 1890. He resided near Tazewell.

Their children: (1) Francis M., No. 51 below; (2) William Williams, No. 52 below; (3) Malinda, born December 19, 1827, died August 20, 1829; (4) Thomas Albert, No. 52-a below; (5) Sarah Elizabeth, born September 9, 1832, died April 11, 1899; married Major Rufus Brittain, September 20, 1853 at Tazewell, Virginia. He was Treasurer of Tazewell County. They had the following children: (a) Rebecca Jane, who married John H. Lewis, September 9, 1875. (Their children: Mattie Brittain Lewis, born August 14, 1876, died August 17, 1903; married Samuel B. Thompson, February 19, 1902 and had one daughter, Martha; Sarah Lewis, deceased unmarried; Amanda Lewis, died unmarried; William Frank Lewis, born March 25, 1883; Margaret Jane Lewis, who died in childhood; and Mary Brittain Lewis); (b) Robert; (c) Hervey Peery Brittain, who married Mary Amanda Gillespie, June 24, 1889 (see Gillespie line); (d) John Brittain; (e) Carrie Lucinda Brittain; (f) Joseph Brittain; (g) Frank Brittain; (h) Louis Brittain; (i) Joie T., who married David C. Gillespie; and

two Margarets, who died young. (6) Gilbert Lafayette, born January 23, 1835, died October, 1862, of fever while in camp in Pulaski County, near Cloyd's Farm; (7) James Spotts, No. 53 below; (8) Joseph Stras, No. 54 below; (9) Harvey George, No. 55 below; (10) Margaret E., born November 25, 1844; died July 6, 1848; and (11) Jonathan C., born March 17, 1847, died June 21, 1848.

27. Eleanor Peery (Thomas, Thomas), married John Chatton Williams, and resided in Gentry County, Missouri, ten miles northeast of Albany. Their children: Thomas J.; Angeline; Sarah Jane, married September 7, 1843, Robert D. Peery (of Thomas, George, Thomas); William H.; Evans; Samuel; James; Julia M.; and Margaret.

28. Andrew Peery (George, Thomas), born December 10, 1780; died April 26, 1831. He married Jane Crockett September 20, 1808. He first resided in Tazewell County, Va. and later removed to Missouri and Arkansas. Their children: Patsy; Peggy; Eliza; Mary S., who married Edward T. Peery (of James, Thomas); Crockett, who went to Texas; Lockey Inglis; and Malinda J.

29. Thomas D. Peery (George, Thomas) was born April 7, 1784 and died June 5, 1821. He married February 4, 1808, Polly Peery, daughter of William Peery (of Thomas). She was born June 3, 1773, in Tazewell County, and died July 26, 1846. Their children: (1) James Madison, born January 9, 1809, died January 16, 1865, No. 56 below; (2) Miles H., born May 29, 1810; died Dec. 16, 1834; married Harriet Barger, December 6, 1832; (3) Matilda, born January 29, 1813, died December 28, 1842; married W. T. Moore (see Moore line); (4) Olivia H., born September 11, 1814; married William G. Currin; (5) Robert D., born July 16, 1817; died January, 1899; and (6) Sarah Evans, born December 27, 1821; died September 28, 1883; married Thomas J. Williams.

30. Joseph Davidson Peery (George, Thomas), born September 14, 1787; died July 14, 1847. He was married September 23, 1812, to Sarah Elizabeth Hall, daughter of William Hall of Tazewell County. He removed from Montgomery County, Va., to Montgomery County, Missouri in 1836. Their children: (1) Charles C.; (2) Albert G.; (3) Gordon C.; (4) Thomas; (5) Andrew, born July 4, 1825, died December 17, 1867, married Nancy K. Peery, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth Peery; (6) William H.; (7) George G.; and (8) Joseph A.



31. Robert Peery (William, Thomas), born February 25, 1782 in Tazewell County and died December 25, 1849, in Grundy County, Missouri, and was buried on the home farm. His brother Evans, went with him to Missouri. He married (1) Miss Roberts and (2) Margaret Campbell McFarland Ewing, widow, daughter of John S. and Elizabeth Campbell McFarland, of Edinburgh Scotland. She was born February 9, 1799, in Washington County, Va., and died February 21, 1876, in Linvingstone County, Mo. Her mother, Elizabeth Campbell McFarland, was a sister of Rev. Alexander Campbell, founder of the Christian Church. Children of first marriage: Ann C. Wynne; Eliza; Dorinda. Children of second marriage: John S.; Sarah E.; Robert Wallace; James Wynne; Walter Preston; Henry Fielding; Elizabeth; Caroline; and Mildred Margaret.

32. George Peery (William, Thomas), born October 6, 1786; died August 30, 1873 in Gentry County, Missouri. He married in Virginia, July 4, 1809, to Jane Campbell Thompson, daughter of Col. John and Lavisia Bowen Thompson. She was born August 1, 1795, in Thompson's Valley, and died June 8, 1872, in Gentry Co., Mo. Her mother, Lavisia Bowen, was the daughter of Rees and Louisa Smith Bowen. Rees Bowen was killed at the battle of King's Mountain, while commanding a company of Virginia Militia. George Peery and family, except his oldest son, removed from Virginia to Missouri in 1835 and settled in what is now Gentry Co. Their children: Henry Thompson; Louisa Bowen; Sarah Evans; William; John Thompson; Archibald; Mary Jane; Narcissa Bowdry; Nancy; Thomas; Rees Bowen Thompson; George Fielding; Virginia Columbus; Emily Wynne; Margaret Elizabeth; a son, who died young; Robert N.; and Elbert Evans.

33. Olivia Peery (William, Thomas), born May 25, 1792; died about 1862; married December 25, 1810, to John Wynne, son of William Wynne, a Quaker, of Tazewell County, by his second wife, Phillis Marrs. William Wynne was twice married and had twenty-seven children. John Wynne and his two full brothers, James and Minor, married respectively three sisters, Olivia, Sophia and Emily, daughters of William Peery. Their children: William P.; Minerva; Henry; Martha; Maria Louisa; James; Emily E.; Olivia; Armand L.; and Elvira.

34. Thomas Peery (William, Thomas), born February 25, 1794; died July 2, 1861. He married Jane McDonald (daughter of



Edward and Kezia Stephens McDonald—grand-daughter of Col. Joseph and Elizabeth Ogle McDonald), on March 26, 1818. She was born February 16, 1802, died February 20, 1880. Their children: (1) Maria Louisa, born August 24, 1819, died April 1, 1853; married General Rees T. Bowen, January 13, 1835. (See Bowen line); (2) Harriet Jane, born September 23, 1822, died October 25, 1868; married Augustus A. Spotts, September 12, 1838; (3) William Edward, born July 20, 1825, died August 18, 1826; (4) William Edward (Captain), No. 57 below; (5) Thomas Ritchie, born November 12, 1843, died September 19, 1864. He served in the Confederate Army, and was killed in General Early's fight at Winchester, Va.

35. David Peery, Major (John, James) was born April 27, 1778, died July 8, 1862, in Tazewell County, Virginia. He married December 18, 1806, Eleanor Harman, daughter of Henry Harman, Jr. She was born November 28, 1787, and died May 17, 1862. Their children: (1) John Drew, No. 58 below; (2) Christina, born March 15, 1810, died November 28, 1886, married James Garrett Hatcher; (3) Henry Harman, born December 8, 1812, died Feb. 24, 1831; (4) Nancy Martin, born June 4, 1815. She married (1) Henry Bartlett and (2) Moses Preston; (5) Letitia, born April 7, 1818; died November 27, 1854; married Thomas S. Carnahan; (6) Louisa J., born June 17, 1821; died November 20, 1902; married Kelsey Nelson Harris; (7) David Harold, No. 59 below; and (8) Eleanor Martelia, born October 15, 1827; died November 7, 1854; married David Borders. (For descendants of Maj. David Peery, see Harman Genealogy, p. 103, etc.)

36. Archibald Peery (John, James) was born about 1785 in Tazewell Conty, Va., and died December 19, 1852. He married August 29, 1811, Nancy Peery, daughter of William and Sarah Evans Peery. She was born July 22, 1790, and died September 19, 1850. Archibald Peery and family removed from Tazewell County, Va., and settled in Grundy County, Missouri, in 1839. Their children: Mitchell Tate; William L.; John W.; Henry Wynne; Clarissa Jane; James Quinn; Sarah E.; George Catlett, No. 60 below; and Cosby Buren.

37. George Peery (John, James) was born March 7, 1789, in Tazewell County, Va., and died 1866. He married November 1, 1810, to Nancy Brewster, who died April, 1860. Their children: James M.; John Henderson; Lucinda; Thomas B.; William A.; Reese D.; Sarah Ann; Jane K.; and Marshall.

88. Jonathan Peery (John, James) was born September 6, 1791, in Tazewell County, Va., and died September 20, 1844, in Montgomery County, Mo. He married (1) July 27, 1820, Elizabeth Peery, daughter of George and Martha Davidson Peery of Abbs Valley, Tazewell County, Va.; and (2) September 13, 1843, to Sarah Gibson of Lebanon, Russell County, Va. He removed from Tazewell County to Montgomery County, Mo. Children of first marriage: Andrew; James Edward; Martha J.; Nancy K.; George; and Catherine D.

89. William Peery (James, James) was born in 1779, and died March 20, 1862 at the old homestead in Tazewell County. He was married September 3, 1829, to Elizabeth Criswell, daughter of Henry and Susan Criswell. Their children: Amanda; Hannah Susan; James; Elizabeth; Ellen Whitman; Harriet; Augustus; William Wilkerson; Rachel Louisa; and Laura Jane.

40. James Peery (James, James) was born in 1791 in Tazewell County, Va., and died October 4, 1852. He married July 21, 1820, Nancy Harman. Their children: James Addison; William; Gilbert M.; M. Harvey; Whitman; Jane; and John. For descendants of James Peery see Harman Genealogy, pp. 237-8.

41. Eleanor Peery (James, James), born September 15, 1794, in Tazewell County, and died June 11, 1871. She married William Whitman. Their children: James and Naomi (probably incomplete).

42. Margaret (Peggy) Peery (James, Thomas, Thomas), born in Tazewell County, Va.; married (1) William Gillespie; and (2) Joshua Peery. Children of first marriage: Jane; Crockett P.; Rees B.; Samuel G.; Polly; Thomas Edward; James H.; Ellen; John Floyd; Joseph; William W.; and Rufus H.

43. Julia Ann Brown Peery (James, Thomas, Thomas), married Dr. John D. Vincil, a distinguished minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who last resided at St. Louis, Mo. He was for many years Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Missouri. Their children: Martha Ella; James E.; Julia Alice; Virginia Mildred; and John D.

44. Margaret Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), born August 1, 1820, at Burkes Garden, Tazewell County, and died November 21, 1848. She married April 2, 1840, Rev. John J. Greever. Their children: Melancthon; Thomas; George; Rev. Joseph B.; Anna L.; Elizabeth; and Agnes. See Greever line.



45. Jesse Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), born January 18, 1823, at Burkes Garden, Tazewell County, and died May 1, 1874. He was a farmer and blacksmith. He married Angeline Mahood, daughter of James and Mary Mahood. He served in the Confederate Army. Their children: (1) Louvinia Victoria, born August 11, 1848, in Burkes Garden; married Henry C. Groseclose, merchant, of Ceres, Bland County, Va., and had the following children: (a) Walter K., married Carrie H. Hufford; (b) May Peery, who died young; (c) Ina A., married Dr. Emory Willis Peery, now of Lynchburg, Virginia; (d) Jessie A.; (e) Virginia V., married Walter Foglesong; (f) Mary E., married Dr. A. B. Woolwine, of Ceres, Va.; (g) Annie L., married C. Henry Peery of North Tazewell, Va.; (h) Cassie M.; (i) Henry C., married Dorothy Saxon; and (j) Willis Peery. (2) John Greever, No. 61 below; (8) Mary Ann, born March 19, 1852, died May 8, 1854; (4) James Thomas, No. 62 below; (5) Martin Luther, No. 63 below; (6) Catherine Letitia, married John H. Greever; (7) Stephen Jesse, born September 7, 1864; died April 5, 1881; and (8) Henry Edward, No. 64 below.

46. Stephen Gose Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), born October 25, 1824, Burkes Garden, Va., and died November 13, 1863. He belonged to Gen. Pickett's Division, Confederate Army. He married November 7, 1854, Elizabeth M. Repass, of Wythe County, Va., daughter of Rufus and Sallie Brown Repass. She was born September 11, 1831, and died March 29, 1911. Their children: (1) Marion S., born June 22, 1856, married Margaret Peck, and had four children: Gordon, Ella, Thomas and Jessie; (2) Albion Eugene, No. 65 below; (3) George Gose, born June 25, 1860, died October 29, 1885; (4) Sarah Elenora, born July 25, 1862, married Dr. John Henry Crockett, and had three children: Georgia E., John Henry, Jr. and Bessie J. See Crockett line.

47. Archibald Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas) was born in 1828 in Burkes Garden, Va., and died August 1, 1878. He married Mary E. Dailey, daughter of Madison and Margaret Dailey. She died November 10, 1873. He was an officer in the Confederate Army. He was a lawyer; and was at one time Commonwealth's Attorney for Tazewell County. He was shot from ambush in Buchanan County, Va. He left one son; Dr. Thomas Edward, No. 66 below.



48. Sarah Jane Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas) was born 1830 in Burkes Garden, and died August 14, 1896. She married Jackson Muncy, who was born in 1822, and left the following children: (1) Nannie; (2) Rhoda, born March 26, 1853, married Marion Compton; (3) Charles, many years Clerk of the court of Bland County, Va., born June 14, 1854, died August 17, 1908, married Ella Mustard; (4) Elizabeth, born August, 1855, married Jesse Bruce; (5) Josie, born September 10, 1862, married Kent Groseclose; (6) Dr. James Lovel, born 1863, married Fannie Peery; (7) Thomas, (dec'd), born April 25, 1865, married Fannie Banks; (8) Jesse Archibald, born May 24, 1871, married Josie Green; and (9) Louisa.

49. Dr. James Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas) was born October 5, 1833, in Burkes Garden, Va., and died January 22, 1894, at Cedar Bluff, Va. He married December 5, 1867, Mary Letitia Spotts, daughter of Chapman A. and Elizabeth Bane Spotts. She was born April 5, 1847, near Cedar Bluff, Va. He was a student in Medicine at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, just prior to the Civil War. He entered the Confederate Army, and served as a surgeon in Derrick's Battalion. At the close of the war, he entered upon the practice of medicine at Cedar Bluff, Va., where he continued to live until his death. Their children: (1) Chapman Henry, Born May 16, 1869; married (1) Narcissa Brown, daughter of George H. and Mary Thompson Brown; and (2) Cleo Thompson, of Thompson Valley, Va., daughter of William and Eleanor Thompson. No children; (2) Leland Thomas, born October 8, 1871; died October 23, 1872; (3) George Campbell, No. 67 below; (4) Mattie Lou, born September 26, 1876; married Dr. William Rees Williams, physician and surgeon, of Richlands, Va., owner and head of Mattie Williams Hospital, Richlands, and have the following children: James Peery, Mary, William Rees, Jr., Davis, Martha and Bessie; (5) Wade Hampton, No. 68 below; and Bessie Valentine.

50. Captain Thomas Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas) was born April 10, 1841, in Burkes Garden, and died May 8, 1908, in Culpepper County, Va. He was a farmer and miller. He married (1) November 23, 1865, Sarah H. Repass, of Wythe County, daughter of Rufus and Sallie Brown Repass. She was born August 17, 1843, and died July 10, 1884. He married (2) June 10, 1891, Lora V. Shawver, daughter of James Madison and Alice

**Shawver.** He served as a Captain in the Confederate Army. Children of the first marriage: (1) Emory Willis, No. 69 below; (2) Rufus Benton, No. 70 below; (3) Walton Stuart, born February 7, 1870; married (1) Fannie Crockett and (2) Ella Rayburn; (4) Nora Kate, born January 13, 1872; married Thomas Spracher, and has three children: Katherine, Fred and Sarah; (5) Anna S., born January 9, 1874; married William H. Hansbarger and has one daughter, Madge; (6) John Carnahan, No. 71 below; (7) Josephine Repass, born February 5, 1878; married Joseph Porter; (8) Maude Cassell, born January 8, 1881; married Oscar Veasy; (9) Mary Elizabeth, born January 8, 1881; married Sidney S. Cassell; and (10) George Gose, born November 30, 1883, graduate of Roanoke College and now a professor in said college. Children of the second marriage: (11) James Clair; (12) Sallie M.; (13) Fannie Henrietta; (14) Margaret; (15) Pauline; and (16) Thomas.

51. Francis M. Peery (Harvey, George, Thomas, Thomas), born January 28, 1834 in Tazewell County, Va. and died July 11, 1888. He married January 1, 1846, Cynthia Elizabeth Peery (James, Thomas, Thomas). She was born November 16, 1824, in Tazewell County. This family resided for a number of years at Wittens Mills, in Tazewell County. Their children: (1) Rebecca Joan, died young; (2) Margaret Ellen, born February 3, 1849; married John D. Alexander; (3) James Harvey, born November 3, 1850; died July 23, 1891; married Elizabeth Gillespie; (4) Martha Louisa, died young; (5) Sarah Jane, died young; (6) William Williams, died young; (7) Thomas George, died young; and (8) Francis Marion, born September 22, 1863.

52. William Williams Peery (Harvey Geo., Thomas, Thomas) was born August 30, 1825, in Tazewell County, and died August 28, 1894, on White Top, in Washington County, Va. He was a merchant and farmer, and was for a number of years a member of the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County. He married (1) Sarah Jane Witten, daughter of John M. and Catherine Peery Witten. She was born July 12, 1838, in Tazewell County, and died August, 1863. He married (2) May 25, 1871 Caroline Eleanor Litz, daughter of John Litz of Tazewell County. She was born January 8, 1845, and died July 15, 1899. Children of the first marriage: (1) Ella Letitia, born June 14, 1856; died October 1, 1899; married May 26, 1878, Dr. C. W. Greever. (See Greever



line); (2) Sarah Catherine, born September 22, 1858, married Martin L. Peery; (3) Rose Rebecca, born September 1, 1861; married John C. Bailey; and (4) Harvey Fielding, born February 12, 1873; married Lucy Davidson Witten, daughter of James R. Witten. See Witten line.

52-a. Thomas Albert Peery (Harvey Geo., Thomas, Thomas), was born March 11, 1830 and died April 24, 1880. He married Sallie Smith. He was a merchant and farmer and lived about one mile west of Tazewell, Va. Their children: (1) Rebecca W., who married Otis E. Hopkins (See Hopkins line); (2) James Edward, born June 20, 1864, married Mattie Leece and has the following children: (a) William Albert, who married Margaret Taylor, of Russell County; (b) Louise, who married Fred St. Clair; (c) James Ward, who married Katherine Taylor, of Russell County, sister of Margaret Taylor above.

53. James Spotts Peery (Harvey Geo., Thomas, Thomas) was born June 6, 1837, in Tazewell County, Va., and died September 7, 1905. He married Maria C. Witten, daughter of James Wilkerson and Rachel White Witten. He served as Captain of Company "G," 45th Virginia Regiment, Confederate Army. Their children:

(1) Harvey George, born September 2, 1867 in Tazewell County, Va.; married Martha Clair Fudge, daughter of Capt. Chas. A. and Elizabeth St. Clair Fudge Oct. 22, 1890. She died Nov. 6, 1915. Their children: Charles Fudge; Elizabeth Rose, dec'd; Garland, who married Elizabeth Reed, one child, Elizabeth St. Clair; Sidney, and Samuel Walton, dec'd. Harvey George next married Mary Thompson, daughter of Oscar and Martha Hopkins Thompson, March 30, 1918. Mr. Peery is engaged in the mercantile business at North Tazewell, Va., and is an honored and public spirited citizen of that community.

(2) Wilkerson Witten, born February 28, 1869, married Margaret Ann Harman, daughter of H. Bane and Mary Harrison Harman, February 12, 1893. Their children: James Bane, who married Frances Ann Atkins; Joseph Elmo; and William W., Jr. Mr. Peery is a successful merchant and resides at North Tazewell, Virginia.

(3) William Edward, born August 19, 1871, married April 27, 1892 Virginia Crockett, daughter of Robert and Eliza Witten Crockett. Their children: Lyde, who married Richard M. Kelly,



Sept. 11, 1916, one son, Richard M., Jr.; James Walter, who married Aileen Crockett, June 4, 1921, one daughter, Jane Crockett; Robert C., who married Catherine C. Hall, January, 1918, one daughter, Catherine; Virginia; Mamie, who married J. J. Greever, December, 1923, one daughter, Eloise; and Margaret. William Edward Peery was formerly a merchant at Graham, Va., is now and for many years has been a hardware merchant at Tazewell, Va.

(4) Sallie Albert, born May 1, 1873, married August 29, 1894, to Rev. Sidney Bays Vaught and has the following children: Marie, James, who died young; and Garnet.

(5) Rachel, born June 4, 1875, married Clarence L. Painter of Wytheville, Va. Their children: Marie, Josephine and Clarence, Jr.

(6) Rufus Brittain, born June 9, 1878, married Orrie Peery, daughter of Joseph Stras Peery. Two children: Vernon and Rosalie. Mr. Peery is a merchant at Glade Springs, Va.

(7) James Arthur, born May 1, 1880, married Nannie Rose Moss, and has one child, Christina. Mr. Peery is the fifth of the six Peery brothers, who is a prominent and leading merchant of his community.

(8) Effie Maria, born February 12, 1882, married Dr. R. W. Shermantine, of Sparks, Md. No children, and

(9) Thomas Paul, born March 13, 1883, married Alice Thompson, daughter of Wm. P. and Eleanor Thompson. One son, James Thompson. Thomas Paul Peery is a veterinary surgeon and resides on his farm three miles west of the town of Tazewell.

54. Joseph Stras Peery (Harvey Geo., Thomas, Thomas) was born October 7, 1839, in Tazewell County, Va. He married April 15, 1868, to Lavonia Brown, daughter of Asa and Sarah Tartar Brown of Wytheville, Va. She was born March 30, 1850, and died April, 1914. He served in the Confederate Army and after the war became a farmer and merchant. Their children: (1) Tobias Lafayette, who died in young manhood; (2) John Brown, born January 4, 1872, married Minnie Profit; (3) Albert Nicholas, born July 4, 1876; (4) Orrie Smyth, married R. Brittain Peery; (5) Joseph Brittain, who married a Gibson; and (6) Robert William, who married Dorothy Parker, daughter of D. P. and Fannie Beasley Parker, and has a daughter, Frances Elizabeth.

55. Harvey George Peery (Harvey Geo., Thomas, Thomas) was born June 24, 1842, in Tazewell County, Va. He married October

9, 1865, Cosby America Witten, daughter of Zachariah S. and Polly Tiffany Witten, of Tazewell County. She was born March 6, 1845. He served three years in the Confederate Army, and after the war was a farmer and merchant. Their children:

(1) Charles Tiffany, born June 16, 1866, married December 22, 1887, to Ollie Surface, daughter of Geo. R. and Annie Shelton Surface of Tazewell County. Va. Charles Tiffany Peery was reared on his father's farm adjoining the west end of the town of Tazewell and assisted his father in the general merchandise store for many years at Tazewell, and then became a partner with his father. Later Mr. Peery established his present grocery business under the firm of C. T. Peery and Sons, composed of himself, Bane, and Raymond. He has served many years as a Justice of the Peace, and has been for a long time a Democratic judge of election of Tazewell Precinct; is a member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M., and has filled all the official positions in the lodge; and is a steward in Main Street Methodist Church. Their children: (a) Bane G., who married Evelyn McCall, daughter of Jesse McCall, September 10, 1919 (children: Bane G., Jr. and Julian McCall); (b) Cosby Anita, who married Henry Kiser, June 1, 1916 (children: Henry A., Jr., Ruth, and William Peery); (c) Raymond, who married May Brown, daughter of Rev. Chas R. Brown, March 22, 1922; (d) Irene, who married Clarence Peery, son of M. L. Peery, October 29, 1919 (children: Charles Martin, Janis and George William); and (e) Georgia, who married Richard Hilton, son of Rev. Samuel A. Hilton, August 31, 1925.

(2) Sarah Brittain (Harvey George), born June 28, 1868, married James D. Harrison, July 24, 1890. Their children: William, who married Sarah Rice, October 15, 1921; Harvey; Mary Olive, who married Richard Meade (one son: Richard, Jr.); and Margaret.

(3) Dr. Mary W. (Harvey George), who received her degree of Doctor of Osteopathy from Kirksville (Missouri), School of Osteopathy, and now owns a hospital at Tryon, N. C., where she is practicing her profession.

(4) Rebecca Williams (Harvey George), who married John K. Ball, February 27, 1895. One son, Clarence, who is a graduate student of Des Moines School of Osteopathy.

(5) Harvey George, Jr., (Harvey George), who married Sallie May Haynes, daughter of Rev. L. K. Haynes. Their children: Haynes, May, and George.



(6) Zachie S., (Harvey George), who died in infancy; (7) Haynes (Harvey George), who died in infancy; (8) Thomas Albert (Harvey George), who died in infancy.

(9) Margaret Eliza (Harvey George), who married Moses J. Hankins September 11, 1901. Their children: Dorothy, Mildred, Ruth, and Jackson Peery.

(10) Nancy Maria (Harvey George), who married Samuel E. Grant November 2, 1905. Two children: Ralph, and Edwin, deceased.

(11) Henry Watterson (Harvey George), who died when twenty-one years of age.

56. James Madison Peery (Thomas, George, Thomas) was born January 9, 1809 in Tazewell County, Va., and died January 16, 1865 at Pattonsburg, Missouri. He married October 20, 1831, Nancy Bane, of Tazewell Co., daughter of Howard and Lettie Thornton Bane. She was born February 2, 1811, and died February 12, 1859. He was a merchant. Their children: Russell Bane; Sarah Matilda; Thomas Edward; Logan Howard; and Louemma Caroline.

57. Captain William Edward Peery (Thomas, William, Thomas) was born July 7, 1829 in Tazewell County, and died March 15, 1895. He married Katherine Matilda Cecil, daughter of Samuel and Sallie Poston Cecil, December 9, 1851. She was born January 28, 1834, died May 8, 1919.

In April, 1861, Captain Peery entered the Confederate service as a volunteer. Later he organized and commanded Co. "I," 16th Virginia Cavalry.

We quote from Pendleton's History, page 607, as follows:

"Captain William Edward Peery, son of 'Squire Thomas Peery, and grandson of William Peery, the pioneer, was, probably, the most universally beloved man that Tazewell County ever produced. He was born July 7, 1829, and died March 15, 1895. It can be safely said that he lived and died without an enemy on earth. His home was the centre of the lavish hospitality for which Tazewell in his day was so noted. He was educated at Emory and Henry College, and was a man of fine literary taste and attainments. The first year of the Civil War he served on the staff of Gen. Jno. B. Floyd. In the spring of 1862 he became lieutenant of a company of cavalry, of which company the gallant Col. W. L. Graham was captain. This company was attached to the 16th Virginia Cavalry



Regiment in the fall of 1862, and he was made captain. On the retreat from Gettysburg he lost his right arm and was made a prisoner at the battle of Boonesboro, Md., in June, 1863. He was imprisoned at Johnson's Island until March, 1865, when he was exchanged, and returned home after an absence of two years. Captain Peery would never accept a public office, though often solicited by his friends to stand as a candidate. However, he held and expressed decided and intelligent convictions on all public questions, and had much to do with shaping the political and economic thought of the people of the county."

Their children: (1) Samuel Cecil, born April 5, 1856, died June 28, 1921, married May Martin (1) (daughter of Col. Geo. A.), in 1890; and they had one son, Samuel Cecil, Jr., who married Aylette Henry, daughter of Major R. R. and Lucy Byrd Henry (one daughter, Jane Byrd). Samuel Cecil Peery married (2) Nellie Gildersleeve, daughter of Gilbert Gildersleeve, September 16, 1896. Their children: Virginia Robinson, Louise Gildersleeve, Katherine Cecil, Robert E. Lee, Edward George; and Woodrow Wilson.

(2) Dr. Thomas Ritchie Peery, born March 16, 1859, died August 17, 1895, married Mary Young, daughter of Maj. Archibald and Sabra Young, March, 1882. Their children: ————, ————, both of whom died young, and Ritchie, who married Nancy Olivia Gillespie, daughter of Joseph S. and Mary Elizabeth Higginbotham Gillespie, November 3, 1909. Ritchie Peery is engaged in farming and cattle raising.

(3) William Edward Peery, born May 10, 1861; married Josephine Newberry, daughter of Harman Newberry, November 16, 1881.

In addition to his own landed estate he has acquired a large portion of his father's home farm, and resides in the mansion house on the old homestead where he was born. Considering the quality of the land, location and natural advantages, this old homestead is one of the finest and most desirable farms in the county. Mr. Peery is also largely interested in coal lands in Virginia and West Virginia, and takes an active part in civil and political affairs of the county.

On page 608 of Pendleton's History of Tazewell County there appears a picture of a walnut tree standing in Mr. Peery's yard, concerning which Colonel Pendleton states:

"This old walnut tree is one of the most noted trees in Tazewell County. It stands near the west end of the residence of the late Capt. Wm. E. Peery; and many hundreds of his friends were greeted and socially entertained by him under its delightfully refreshing screen. Tradition affirms that Dr. Thomas Dunn English wrote the sweetly pathetic ballad, 'Ben Bolt', within the precincts of its cool shadows. He certainly wrote 'The Logan Grazier', one of his poems, under this tree. Dr. English was then sojourning in Tazewell and was frequently the guest of Captain Peery."

Just a short distance west of this residence, on the portion of the Capt. Wm. E. Peery estate now owned by his daughter, Mrs. Annie Peery Martin, is the site of the old Locust Hill Fort built by William Wynne about the year 1773 or 1774, as a protection from the Indians. Fort Maiden Spring Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is now planning to erect a suitable monument to mark the site of this old fort.

Children of William E. Peery and Josephine Newberry Peery: (a) Edward Cecil, dec'd; (b) Katherine Cecil, who married R. Roy St. Clair, son of Alexander and Maria Tiffany St. Clair (two children: Katherine Cecil and Rob Roy, Jr.); (c) Mary McDonald, who married William Kegley (children: Ida Virginia, Edgar, and Raymond McDonald); (d) Andrew McDonald, born July 20, 1889; enlisted for service in the World War, May, 1918 at Lehigh University, Pa., transferred to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., thence to Fort Douglas, Utah; thence to Camp Upton, N. Y. Discharged December, 1918.

(e) Thomas Albert, born July 6, 1891 entered service July 16, 1918—trained at Camp Humphrey then went to embarkation Camp at Camp Merrett, N. J. Discharged January 6, 1919.

(f) William E., Jr., born May 9, 1893; enlisted at University of Virginia July 23, 1918 —————, was at Camp Mott, N. J., where he died October 5, 1918.

(g) John I. Walton; (h) Josphine Augusta, who died in infancy; and (i) Samuel Cecil.

(4) Andrew McDonald Peery, born December 4, 1865, died June 5, 1906, married Sallie May Gildersleeve, daughter of Gilbert Gildersleeve, June 15, 1904. They had one daughter, Eleanor Josephine, who died March 22, 1922.

(5) John Cecil Peery, born October 14, 1868; died February 14, 1919 (unmarried).



(6) Annie Louise Peery, born August 6, 1871; married George Alexander Martin, son of Col. George A. and Georgia McWicks Martin, April 1, 1891. The children: Annie Louise; Cecil Peery; Thomas Fairfax, who married Fannie B. Clay, November 23, 1923; George Alexander, Jr., and Marena Theressa.

Cecil Peery Martin volunteered in the World War, May 19, 1917 at Norfolk, Virginia, as second class yeoman. Served on ships "Bulgaria", "Almax II", Naval Hospital, Norfolk; Headquarters Fifth Naval District; Naval Proving Grounds, Indian Head, Maryland. Honorably discharged December 24, 1918. Issued Victory medal May 18, 1921.

Thomas Fairfax Martin volunteered in World War, at Richmond, Virginia, as Hospital Apprentice, First Class, U. S. N. R. F., July 1, 1918. Granted furlough August, 1918, to complete course in pharmacy to be prepared for special service later.

58. John Drew Peery (David, John, James) was born October 1, 1807 in Tazewell Co., Va., and died July 29, 1884. He married October 8, 1848, Mary C. Gregory, daughter of John K. and Elizabeth Gregory. She was born April 13, 1828, died July 20, 1880. Their children: (1) David Preston; (2) Charles Henry, who married Ellen P. Beavers, January 28, 1873; (3) George, died in infancy; (4) Ellen Martelia, who married James Howard; (5) Louisa Alice, who married L. C. Johnson; and (6) Mary Elizabeth. For fuller genealogy of John Drew Peery's ancestors and descendants, see Harman Genealogy, p. 104, et seq.

59. David Harold Peery (David, John, James), was born May 6, 1824 in Tazewell County, and died September 17, 1901; married Nancy C. Higginbotham (1) December 30, 1852, and (2) Letitia Higginbotham, sister of his deceased wife, April 10, 1865. In 1862 David Harold entered the Confederate Army, of Eastern Kentucky, as assistant commissary under Gen. Humphrey Marshal. In 1864 he removed to Utah. While devoting a large portion of his time to his business interests, Mr. Peery was called upon by his fellow citizens to serve them in a public capacity. In 1878, 1880, 1882 and 1884, he represented Weber County in the Legislature and in 1882 was sent as a delegate to Washington to labor for the admission of Utah as a state. He was chosen Mayor of Ogden in 1883 and re-elected in 1885. Mr. Peery was zealous in the execution of his religious duties and was strongly identified with Church work in Utah. Children: Thomas Carnahan, who died young;



Louisa Letitia; and William Harold. Children of second wife: David Henry; Joseph Stras; Nancy May; Horace Eldridge; Eleanor Virginia; John Harold; Margaret Louisa; Simon Francis Higginbotham; Lewis Hyrum Ward; and Harman Ward. See Harman Genealogy p. 110 et seq. for further genealogy of his family.

60. George Catlett Peery (Archibald, John, James) was born May 27, 1828, in Tazewell County, Va., and died July 31, 1907 in Portland, Oregon. He married on September 26, 1855 to Ruth Jane Kirk, daughter of Thomas and Ruth Howe Kirk. She was born October 10, 1834, in Giles County, Va. George Catlett Peery was a farmer, and resided while actively engaged in that business one and a half miles northwest of Edinburg, Grundy Co., Mo. His mother was Nancy Peery, daughter of William and Sarah Evans Peery. He was born near Tazewell Court House, where he was raised until about eleven years old. In the fall of 1839 his parents moved to Grundy Co., Mo., where they took up a farm near Edinburg. Three brothers and five sisters of his mother, with their families, emigrated from Virginia about the same time and settled in the same neighborhood, so that together they formed quite a community of Peery relatives. After the death of his parents he engaged for a while in merchandising with his brother Mitchell T. Peery, but later went back to farming. In 1886 he removed to Portland, Oregon, whither his son Edwin had preceded him, retiring from active business.

Mrs. Peery removed from Giles County, Va. with her parents in 1844 and with them settled in Livingstone Co., Mo., which adjoins Grundy Co. She and her husband received their education from Grand River College. They were both members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, but after moving to Portland, they placed their membership with the Methodist Episcopal Church, there being no organization of the Southern Church there. Mrs. Peery's grandparents John Kirk and Daniel Howe, were Revolutionary soldiers. The former belonged to the Virginia continental line, and served under General Washington; the latter served with Colonel Preston on the Virginia frontier, and attained the rank of ensign or second lieutenant. Their children: (1) Edwin Howe, No. 72 below; (2) Leslie Thomas, born March 14, 1859; (3) Lura Belle, born December 4, 1863, married Trusten P. Peery; (4) Georgia Ruth, born September 1, 1866.

61. John Greever Peery (Jesse, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas) was born November 27, 1849, in Burkes Garden, Va. He married November 28, 1872, Mary J. Groseclose, daughter of William and Adeline Yost Groseclose, of Bland County, Va. She was born May 31, 1852. John G. Peery first resided in Burkes Garden, and then moved to Bland County. He was a farmer and lumberman. Their children: William Jesse; Alberta Virginia; George Beverly, who died in infancy; Katie May, who died in infancy; Arthur; Angie Adeline (twin to Arthur); Daisy Lee, who died young; Stephen Edward; a daughter, who died in infancy; and Luther Maiden.

62. James Thomas Peery (Jesse, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas) was born May 16, 1854, in Burkes Garden, Va., and died March 11, 1912. He married October 31, 1878, Josie Peck, who was born March 31, 1862, and died July 21, 1918. She was the daughter of Harvey N. and Ann Thompson Peck. Mr. Peery was a farmer and resided on the old family homestead in Burkes Garden. Their children: James Emmett, who married a Miss Hubble in 1903; Stephen Leonard, who married Josie Shawver; Henry Crockett, who married Nannie Harrison; and Mamie.

63. Martin Luther Peery (Jesse, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born April 10, 1858, in Burkes Garden, Tazewell County, Va. He married March 12, 1879, Sarah Catherine Peery, daughter of William W. Peery. She was born September 22, 1858. He is a merchant and farmer and resides near North Tazewell, Va. Their children: (1) William Jesse, who married Annie Maiden Moss (children: Helen, Patton, Catherine, William and Nellie Mae); (2) Stephen Paul Peery, who married Cleo Davis (children: Selden, Lurah and Maxine); (3) Luther Litz, who married Jessie Long (children: Inez, Jene, Benonia and ———); (4) Nellie Rose, who married John Fanning (children: Mildred and Jackson); (5) Roy Witten, who married Clara Clayman (children: Lois, Luther, Robert and ———); (6) Clarence, who married Irene Peery, daughter of Chas T. Peery (children: Charles Martin, Janis and George W.); (7) Helen Macie, who married Dan Williams (one son, Peery); (8) a son, who died young; (9) Sallie Ann, who died young; (10) Lettie May, dec'd; and (11) Katie Maria.

64. Henry Edward Peery (Jesse, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born September 21, 1867, in Tazewell County, Va. He married May 8, 1891, Jennie Groseclose, daughter of Henry and Mary



Wall Groseclose, of Ceres, Bland County, Va. She died July 12, 1898. He next married Katie Buchanan. Children of first wife: Henry Franklin; and Mary Ruth.

65. Albion Eugene Peery (Stephen, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born October 13, 1857 at Burkes Garden, Va. He married December 21, 1887, Maggie Foglesong of Bland County, Va., daughter of Elias and Sophia Peery Foglesong. She was born April 12, 1866. He was a farmer and resided on the Peery homestead in Burkes Garden. Their children: Elizabeth Nellie, who married Oscar Moss; Clarence Eugene, now a practising M. D.; George Henry, who married Lettie Moss; Mildred (dec'd), who married Leon Meek; Andrew Edwin; Stephen Alfred; and Anna Margaret.

66. Dr. Thomas Edward Peery (Archibald, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born November 1, 1873, in Tazewell County. He was the only son of Archibald and Mary Dailey Peery. After his graduation in medicine, he took a special course in eye, ear, nose and throat. He located at Bluefield, W. Va., and has become an eminent practitioner. He recently erected one of the handsomest and largest buildings in the city of Bluefield, known as the "Peery Building". He married Mildred Fulcher of Staunton, Virginia. Their children: Mildred; Elizabeth; and Virginia.

67. George Campbell Peery (James, Thomas, Thomas Thomas), was born October 28, 1873, at Cedar Bluff, in Tazewell County, Va. He graduated from Emory and Henry College in 1894; taught school at Tazewell, Va., for two years; and graduated in law from Washington and Lee University in one year (1897). He began the practice of law at Tazewell, Va. and later removed to Wise, Va. He lived at Wise from 1902 to 1915; and returned to Tazewell in 1915, becoming a member of the law firm of Chapman, Peery & Buchanan. He was one of the Democratic Electors at Large for the State of Virginia on the Wilson-Marshall Ticket in 1916. He was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention at San Francisco in 1920. His son Albert served as a page in that convention. In 1922, Mr. Peery was nominated as the Democratic candidate for Congress from the Ninth District of Virginia, and was elected over John H. Hassinger, Republican. He was re-elected in 1924 over C. Henry Harman, Republican, of Tazewell, Virginia. On June 19, 1907, Mr. Peery married Nancy Bane Gillespie, daughter of Albert P. and Nancy Higginbotham Gillespie.



Albert P. Gillespie was a member of the Virginia Constitutional Convention in 1902. Mr. and Mrs. Peery are the parents of three children: (1) Albert Gillespie; born September 25, 1908; (2) George Campbell, Jr., born March 27, 1910; and (3) Nancy Letitia, born February 1, 1916.

68. Wade Hampton Peery (James, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born May 6, 1880, at Cedar Bluff, Tazewell Co., Va. He attended Emory and Henry College. After leaving school, he engaged in land surveying in Eastern Kentucky. Later he returned to Tazewell, and was employed by Stras, Harman & Company, Inc., Wholesale Grocers. He is now General Manager of that concern. On November 6, 1912, he was married to Carrie McGuire, daughter of James M. and Margaret Hurt McGuire. Their children: (1) Wade Hampton, Jr., born October 30, 1913, died February 6, 1914; (2) James McGuire, born June 4, 1915; and (3) Robert Campbell, born August 12, 1919.

69. Dr. Emory Willis Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born September 1, 1866, in Tazewell Co. After graduating in medicine, he engaged in the practice of his profession at Rural Retreat, Va. Later he specialized in the treatment of eye, ear, nose and throat, and located at Lynchburg, Va., where he achieved distinction in his profession. He married April 27, 1893, Ina A. Groseclose, daughter of Henry C. and Lovinia Peery Groseclose. Their children: Henrietta May, born February 2, 1894, married George Gose; Clara Virginia, born July 9, 1896; and Willis, Jr.

70. Rev. Rufus Benton Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born April 9, 1868 in Burkes Garden, Tazewell Co. He is a graduate of Roanoke College; Ph. D. of Pennsylvania College; D. D. of Midland College, Kansas; missionary and professor of Theology in Japan 1892-1903; lecturer on oriental and missionary subjects 1903-1905; pastor St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Denver, 1905-12; President Midland College, Kansas, 1912-19; Professor Lenoir College, N. C., 1920. He is the author of "The Gist of Japan" and "Lutherans in Japan". He married August 21, 1895, Letitia Rich of Wytheville, Va. Their children: Harold Rich; Thomas Benton; Rob Roy; Paul Denver; William Wallace; and Donald Lee.

71. Rev. John Carnahan Peery (Thomas, Thomas, Thomas, Thomas), was born February 24, 1876, in Burkes Garden, Va. He is a graduate of Roanoke College, receiving degrees of A. B. and A.

M.; and graduate of Southern Lutheran Theological Seminary; D. D. of Lenoir College; pastor Lutheran Church, Lynchburg, Va. 1905-11; President Elizabeth College, Salem, N. C. 1911-17; pastor College Church, Hickory, N. C. 1917-19; President Lenoir College 1919. He married Pearle Miller Powlas, of Hickory, N. C., August 4, 1920.

72. Edwin Howe Peery (George Catlett, Archibald, John, James), was born July 27, 1856, in Grundy Co., Mo. He married December 26, 1900, Patti Anderson Yates, of Trenton, Mo. He was educated at Grand River College, in Missouri; studied law in California, graduated in law from the University of the State of Missouri and also from Columbia (now George Washington) University, Washington, D. C. He resided and practiced law in Oregon until 1894, when he entered the Government service at Washington, as examiner in the Civil Service Commission, and was later transferred to the Treasury Department, and thence to the Reclamation Service. In January, 1907, he went to Cuba, and was made an assistant attorney to Brig. Gen. Enoch H. Crowder. He spent two years in Cuba, during which time his wife died. He returned to the United States, and resumed the practice of law at Portland, Oregon, but later re-entered the Government service and became district counsel in the Reclamation Service, and located at Denver, Colorado. His work collecting records of the Peery family began in 1895, and has continued ever since.

### STRAS FAMILY.

#### JOSEPH STRAS, SENIOR.

His father, George Frederick Stras, was born in Strasburg, France in 1746. He was living in Paris at the time of the French revolution, during which time he fled to America. He resided in Washington, D. C. and Richmond, Virginia. He died in Richmond in 1811, and was buried in Old St. John's Churchyard. His tomb was pointed out to the writer, by the keeper of Old St. John's Churchyard, when on a visit to that historic place in 1922.

On his maternal side, Joseph Stras was descended as follows: (1) From Isaac Winston, who was born in Yorkshire, England in 1620; (2) His son Isaac Winston, Jr., who immigrated to America and settled near Richmond, Virginia, in 1704. He married Mary Dabney. He died in Hanover County, Va., in 1760. (3) Sarah, daughter of Isaac Winston, Jr., married John Henry (a Scotchman, a nephew of Dr. Windom Robertson, the historian, and cousin of



Lord Brougham). (4) Lucy Henry, daughter of John and Sarah Henry, married Valentine Wood of Goochland County, Va. (5) Martha Wood, daughter of Lucy Henry Wood, married first, Major Stephen Southall; after his death she married George Frederick Stras, the father of Joseph Stras, Senior.

It will be seen from this genealogy that the grandmother of Joseph Stras, Senior, on his maternal side was Lucy Henry, a sister of Patrick Henry. Mary Wood, a maternal aunt of Joseph Stras, Sr., married Judge Peter Johnston. One of the children of this marriage was Beverly Randolph Johnston, after whom the late Beverly W. Stras, son of Joseph Stras, Sr., was named.

Joseph Stras, Sr., was born in Richmond, Virginia, in 1808; graduated from Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. Was admitted to the Bar of Tazewell County Court at the June, 1830 term of said court. His marriage is shown from the following extract from the Tazewell County Court records: "I do hereby certify that on the 20th, day of February, 1850 I joined Joseph Stras and Eleanor Letitia Higginbotham in lawful wedlock. Geo. W. G. Browne."

Based upon the writer's personal knowledge of Mr. Stras, and upon his standing among the members of the Bar; and considering the chaotic and unsettled conditions of this mountain country in 1830 and for forty years thereafter, we do not hesitate to say that Mr. Stras was the John Marshall of this great section of Virginia.

To this day he is often quoted by members of the Bar in discussing their cases with each other, and before the court. We recall two such instances which are typical. A young resident lawyer, fresh from a law university, was associated with the late Samuel D. May in an important case, in which the young man prepared the declaration in the case. When they carefully went over the declaration together, Mr. May suggested an amendment, as, he said, Mr. Stras would have stated it, to this the young lawyer objected, saying that the declaration was in exact conformity with the law laid down by the Supreme Court of Virginia in a certain case. But Mr. May insisted on the change, saying that, "Old man Joe Stras knew more law than all the Supreme Court Judges put together."

A similar instance occurred between this young lawyer and the late Albert P. Gillespie, in which Mr. Gillespie insisted on following the practice of Mr. Stras instead of a form that had been approved by eminent legal authority, as laid down in the books.



Mr. Stras discouraged litigation, frequently, by bringing the parties together and hearing and deciding their cases to the satisfaction of both parties, without receiving any fee therefor. His reputation among the common people for honesty and fair dealing and knowledge of the law, made his judgment in a matter of controversy equal to a decision of the court.

The writer has heard Mr. Stras say that he had frequently ridden on horseback, leaving Lebanon Court at 5:00 o'clock, p. m., arriving at Princeton by 9:00 o'clock the next morning, ready for appearance in his cases in that court. He would use three horses on this journey. The distance covered about seventy-five miles.

The tribute paid his memory by the citizens and the Bar upon notice of his death, is no formal one. We here insert same, which is as follows:

"The death of Joseph Stras, Esq., the senior member of the Bar, having been brought to the attention of this Court in its official character, and it being regarded but a proper mark of respect to the memory of so distinguished a member of the profession and of so valued and respected a citizen of this County as well as public notice and action with reference to the loss sustained by his death; and many citizens of this county desiring to unite in a fitting tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased; The Court therefore orders that the following resolutions of the members of the Bar and citizens of the county be entered on the records of this Court as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to call from this life our distinguished friend and brother, Joseph Stras, Esq., the senior member of this Bar in the 77th, year of his age, who for over half a century has been an active practitioner before our Courts, winning by his dignified and courteous bearing, the confidence and esteem of the Courts and Bar, and enjoyed in an eminent degree the respect and admiration of all for his profound learning and high attainments as a lawyer and unbending integrity as a man. Therefore be it resolved:

That in the death of our friend and brother Joseph Stras, the Bar lost one of its most learned, honored and distinguished members who dignified the profession by his fidelity to trusts and his profound learning as a lawyer and the community one of its most useful and esteemed citizens and who for his dignified and courteous bearing as well as his eminent ability will long be remembered.

Resolved that a copy of these proceedings be sent to the family of the deceased, as an assurance of our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, that as a further tribute of respect of the deceased, the Court be requested to enter these proceedings on its records, and that a copy hereof be furnished to the Clinch Valley News by the clerk of this court for publication.

R. R. HENRY,  
H. C. ALDERSON,  
A. J. TYNES,  
E. S. HOWARD,  
Committee."

To Joseph Stras., Sr., and Elleanor Letitia Higginbotham Stras, his wife, were born three sons, Joseph, Jr., James, and Beverly W., and one daughter, Martha.

(1) Joseph Stras, Jr., was born May 4, 1851; married Mary E. Spotts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Preston Spotts of Tazewell, Virginia, on the 25th day of December, 1872. He studied law and was admitted to the bar at Tazewell, Va., in May, 1872. He was licensed to preach in the spring of 1878 by the authorities of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In 1891 he removed to Roanoke, Va., and has been engaged in a number of business enterprises, among them the real estate business, now being the senior member of the real estate firm of Stras & Persinger. The following children were born to this marriage: Stella Hays, Francis Preston, James Campbell, Joseph III, who died in infancy, Fred Gildersleeve, and Arthur Lee.

(a) Francis Preston, born 1875; married Emma Nash, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. C. A. Nash. Their children are Camilla Nash and Emma Dey.

(b) James Campbell, born 1878, married Lillias Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Williams, of Amherst County, Virginia. Their children are Joseph, the 4th., and James Campbell, who vounteered and served as corporal and sergeant in Co. G, 2nd Va. Regiment, 7th Army Corps Spanish-American war.

(c) Frederick Gildersleeve born 1884, died when 28 years old.

(d) Arthur Lee, Born 1889; married Mary Virginia Lowe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lowe of Buffalo, N. Y. One child: Mary Virginia. In first officers training camp at Fort Myer, Va., May, 1917. Commissioned Captain in August, 1917 and as-



signed to 80th Division at Camp Lee, Va., Commanding Officer Bat'y B. 315 Field Artillery; School of Five Fort Sill, Okla., March, 1918. Sailed for France, May 26, 1918. In St. Mihiel and Meuse Argonne Offensive September 26th, to November 11th, 1918. Honorably discharged from service at Camp Lee, Virginia, June 11, 1919.

(2) Beverly W. Stras born June 19, 1858; married Harriet E. Spotts, daughter of Captain George W. and Rose St. Clair Spotts of Tazewell. Died in Tazewell, Virginia, on the 5th day of March, 1921. Their children were Letitia St. Clair, Beverly W., Jr., and Rosalie Eleanor.

Character is sincere devotion to the highest ideals. Mr. Stras filled this measure in a substantial degree. He was a devoted member and leader in the Episcopal Church; his heart was open to the spiritual needs of the people around him; and he was ready to respond to every case of physical and financial destitution. His death was, and is, a serious loss not only to his immediate family, but to the entire community.

He was admitted to the bar at Tazewell about 1892, but did not continue the practice of law very long on account of defective eyesight. He was for many years, prior and up to his death, President of the wholesale grocery company of Stras Harman & Company, at North Tazewell, Virginia.

(a) Letitia St. Clair Stras died at the age of five years.

(b) Beverly W. Stras, Jr., born in Tazewell on September 25, 1887. Married Helen Bruce Kerr Smith, daughter of Major and Mrs. Samuel M. Smith of Winston-Salem, N. C., on April 25, 1916. Beverly W. Stras, Jr., graduated from Hampden-Sidney College, 1908, with degree of Bachelor of Arts, and in 1910 received Bachelor of Law degree from University of Virginia; is a member of Phi Beta Cappa Fraternity. He spent the summer of 1910 traveling abroad. Mr. Stras is a member of the vestry of Stras Memorial Episcopal Church, Tazewell, Va., is Sec'y-Treas. of Buckhorn Coal Company and Vice-President of Stras, Harman Company, wholesale grocers, North Tazewell, Va. Their children: Beverly W., the third and Helene.

(c) Rosalie E. Stras, born April 3, 1890, married Henry P. Taylor on the 14th day of June, 1916. Their children: Henry P., Jr., and Harriet St. Clair.



(3) Martha E. Stras born November 5, 1865. Married Arthur D. W. Walton on the 19th day of June, 1889. They have one son, Joseph Stras Walton, born in March, 1892. He volunteered for service in April, 1917. Was ordered to first officers training camp at Fort Myer, May 15, 1917. Commissioned 2nd Lieut. Inf. August 14, 1917, and ordered to Camp Lee, Virginia, August 25, 1917, and assigned to duty with the 13th Co. 4th Bat., 155th., Depot Brigade. Appointed Adjutant 4th Battalion 155 Depot Brigade October 8, 1917. Promoted to First Lieutenant of Infantry January 13, 1918. Appointed Adjutant 2nd section of 155th., D. B. composed of the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Battalions January 23, 1918. Promoted to Captain of Infantry, June 13, 1918. Transferred to 811 Pioneer Inf. Camp Dix, N. J., September 13, 1918. Appointed regimental adjutant July 21, 1918. Sailed for France with regiment October 13, 1918. Served in France until July 13, 1919. The 811th, Pioneer Inf. was demobilized at Camp Dix, N. J., in July, 1919. Discharged from service August 13, 1919.

#### THE SPARKS FAMILY.

The progenitors of the Sparks family in Tazewell County were of German blood. They came to England and from there to Maryland. Before the Revolutionary War Reuben Sparks came from Maryland to Wilkes County, North Carolina. He had a son Jonas, who married Mary Brown, daughter of John Brown. They removed from North Carolina to Tazewell County in 1848 with their families, where Reuben died January 18, 1875. His widow survived him many years. Jonas Sparks and his wife, Mary, became the parents of three sons: (1) Jonas J., (2) Joshua W. and (3) Joseph who died in the service in the War Between the States.

Jonas J. Sparks (Jonas, Reuben) was born in Wilkes County, North Carolina, October 23, 1833. He married Polly Hankins, daughter of Joseph Hankins, August 19, 1851. He served in the War Between the States, entering Captain Elias Harman's Company of Rangers in 1862. They had the following children: (1) Joseph H., (2) Mary, (3) Jonas R. (4) Robert M., (5) Samuel B., and (6) George W.

Joseph A. Sparks (Jonas J., Jonas, Reuben), married Mary Whitt, daughter of Archibald Whitt. Their children: Hamilton, who married Pattie Christian; Jonas P., who married Rebecca Smith; Silas; and Samuel P., who married Lissa Baldwin.

Mary Sparks (Jonas J., Jonas, Reuben), married Rev. John Ezra Linkous. Their children: Polly, Jane and Charles (see Linkous line).

Jonas R. Sparks (Jonas J., Jonas, Reuben), married Patsy Hankins, daughter of James Hankins, May 4, 1876. Their children: Olivia, Margaret, J. Matt, Rachel, Viola, Gold, Robert, Hattie May, Ernest, and Wilford. Jonas R. Sparks was a minister of the Christian Church. He removed with his family, to Oklahoma, where he died February, 1912. (See Hankins line).

Robert M. Sparks (Jonas J., Jonas, Reuben), married Martha Maxwell, daughter of Frank and Evelyn Maxwell. Their children: Toby, Eva, Harriet, May, Margaret, William Rees, and Norman.

Samuel B. Sparks (Jonas J., Jonas, Reuben), married Emma Griffith, daughter of Tazewell Griffith. Their children: Mattie, Frank P., J. Roy, Glenn, J. Newton, Walter, George W., Robert, and Joseph B.

George W. Sparks (Jonas, J., Jonas, Reuben), married Virginia Farris, daughter of Major Wilson Farris of Chillhowie, Va., (first). He owns and resides on the farm in Baptist Valley which his great grand-father entered and surveyed. Their children: Ora, who married Wm. T. Bandy (see Bandy line); Stella M., who married Olbert Sayers; Virginia B., who married C. S. Dalton; Major Wilson, who married Ruby Bowman; Mary E., who married Carl Thompson; Seldon; and George W., Jr. Virginia Farris Sparks died February 28, 1914, and George W., married Jane Waggoner, (second), September 13, 1921.

Joshua W. (Jonas, Reuben), married Cynthia Hankins, daughter of Moses. (See Hankins line).

Richmond Sparks married Sallie Durham. He moved with his family to Tazewell from North Carolina about 1870. They had the following children: Hugh, John T., Tacie, Joel, Susan, Nancy, Lilly, and William.

Hugh Sparks (Richmond), married Nancy Hankins (daughter of Robert Hankins) first wife. Shortly after his marriage he volunteered in the War Between the States. He was a member of Company G., 45th Virginia Regiment of Infantry under Captain J. S. Peery; also a member of Company C. 16th Virginia Regiment of Cavalry, McCausland's Brigade, under Captain Jonathan Hankins. He remained in service until the surrender. He was in



numerous battles, and was in the famous raid into Pennsylvania and participated in the burning of Chambersburg as follows: He was ordered by his commanding officer to start a fire against the side of a dwelling house, which he did by gathering pieces of boxes and piling against the house. When the blaze started up the side of the house a weeping woman's head was projected out of a window. She begged him not to burn her home. It so touched his sympathies that he kicked the fagots from the building, put out the fire, mounted his horse and rode away. He said he could stand punishment from his superior officer but he could not resist the tears of an innocent woman.

Their children: Sarah, who died in infancy; Susan; Rufus, who died in infancy; William, who married Vina Lawson. No children. Robert; Belle, who died in infancy; Martha; Hugh, Jr., and Mose (single).

Susan Sparks (Hugh, Richmond), who married Albert Harrison. Their children: (a) Hattie, who married Nathan Bowling (their children: Oma, Earnest, Albert, Glen, Ella, Nathan, Jr. and Susie); (b) Nannie; (c) Hugh, who married Minnie Stone (their children: Avagay, Ruth and Lois); (d) Amos, who married Lorene Saunders (their children: Janette and Nora Sue); and (e) Dora, who died young.

Robert Sparks (Hugh, Richmond), who married Laura Robertson. Their children: (a) Pearl, who married Lee White (their children: Hensel, Alfred, Madalene, and Paul); (b) Hubert; (c) Kathleen; (d) Robert; and (e) Louella.

Martha Sparks (Hugh, Richmond), who married Thomas Ashworth. Their children: (a) Arthur, who married Margaret Hoback; (b) Rufus, who married Bessie Hoover; (c) Dewey; and (d) Hugh.

Hugh Sparks, Jr., (Hugh, Richmond), who married Mertie Thompson. Their children: Elsie, Alice, Rufus, Nannie Belle, William Bernard, and James Walter, dec'd.

Hugh Sparks, Sr., (Richmond) after the death of his wife Nancy, married her sister Patsy Hankins, and they had two children: Mary; and Tacie, who died in infancy.

Hugh Sparks, Sr., (Richmond) after the death of his second wife, married Mrs. Mary Ellen Whitt (formerly Mary Ellen Harman, daughter of Robert Wilson and Cynthia Harman), and they had the following children: Florence Ethel, who married W. P. Wimmer (their children: May (deceased); Hugh, Mildred, Mar-



gaaret, Fay, Eula, and Robert); Bertha, Victor, and Hobart, all three of whom died young; Myrtle; and Minnie.

John T. Sparks (Richmond) married Elizabeth Sparks (daughter of J. W.), July 9, 1867. Their children: Cynthia, Sallie, Mary, William J., Rebecca, Tacie, Bessie, and Nannie.

Cynthia Sparks (John T., Richmond) married Lee Linkous and they had the following children: (a) Bessie Lee; (b) Fred; (c) Frank; (d) Otis, who married Ida Christian (their children: Otis, Jr., and Howard Wise); (e) Clarence, who married Pearl Mathews (their children: Robert, and Mary); (f) John T., who married Carrie Whitt (their children: Virginia, Cecil, and Cavie June); (g) Cavie, who married Clarence Stultz (their children: Otis, and Donald); (h) William, who married Jean Deskins (their children: Elizabeth and James); Thomas, who married Henrietta Badders (one child: Opal Thelma).

Sallie Sparks (John T., Richmond) married Thomas H. Dillon. Their children: (a) Robert; (b) Mollie, who married Ray C. Wheeler (their children: Robert, and James); (c) Pearl, who married Parkis Sutherland (their children: Ruby, Madge, and Betty Jean).

Mary Sparks (John T., Richmond) married Andy J. Harman. Their children: (a) Willie; (b) Graham; and (c) Violet, who married W. E. Stacy (their children: Elizabeth and Mary Carr).

William J. Sparks (John T., Richmond) married Maude Christian. Their children: Myrtle (deceased), and Vivian.

Rebecca Sparks (John T., Richmond) married J. Frank Beavers. Their children: Theresa and Willeta.

Tacie Sparks (John T., Richmond) married A. W. Griffiths. Their children: Myrtle and Daisy.

Bessie Sparks (John T., Richmond) married Frank Pruett. Their children: Gussie, dec'd, and Willie.

Tacie Sparks (Richmond) married Joseph H. Porter. Their children: Cassell, William E., and Johnson.

Cassell (Tacie, Richmond) married Sallie Asberry, and they had the following children: Andrew Jackson, who died May, 1917, at Roanoke, Virginia; William Hobart, who married Bettie Huff; Anna, who married C. H. Mahood; Kate, who married Earl Young; and Wallace Johnson.

William E., (Tacie, Richmond) married Virginia Witten. Their children: Joseph, who was a soldier in the World War, and who died on the 16th day of November, 1918, in hospital at Quantico,

Virginia; Robert C., who married Mary Richeson; Margaret, who married William Wyatt; William Johnson.

Johnson (Tacie, Richmond) died at Tazewell, Va. (unmarried), December 11, 1905.

Joel Sparks (Richmond) married Lydia Hankins (daughter of Carter and Nancy), and they had the following children: John, Nannie, Frankie, Mary, Tacie, Albert, Sallie, Carter, Richmond, Tommy, and Joel, only the first four of whom lived to be grown and had families.

John Sparks (Joel, Richmond) married Ida Pruett. Their children: Hazel; Ora, who married Brittain Eastbridge; Mary; Albert; Lois; John; and Irene.

Nannie Sparks (Joel, Richmond) married Joseph Hall. Their children: (a) Joseph, Jr., who married Ida May Pruett (their children: Mattie Elizabeth, and Mary Magdalene); (b) Clarence, who married Lena May Dailey (their children: Clarence, Jr., and Helen Dailey); (c) Thomas, who married Patty Harrison; (d) Robert; (e) Mack; and (f) Albert.

Frankie Sparks (Joel, Richmond) married Robert A. Henkel, and they had one child: Kathleen, who married John McGlothlin.

Mary Sparks (Joel, Richmond) married Mack Catron. Their children: (a) Walter, who married Thelma Hagy; (b) Cora, who married Thomas J. Boothe; and (c) Tacie.

Susan Sparks (Richmond) married Finley Mayhappy and they had one child: Mollie, who married Ashby Isaacs (their children: Ulysses, Erba and Orba).

Nancy Sparks (Richmond) married Charlie Hunt. Their children: Lilly; Minnie, and John.

Lilly Sparks (Richmond) married James Whitaker. Their children: May; Morgan; Patsy, who married Tom Castle (one child: Thomas, Jr.); and William, who died young.

William Sparks (Richmond) married Sarah Christian. Their children: Hugh; Rufus, who married Bertha Wyatt; George, who married Dosha Brackens; Rosa, who married Bert Steele; James; and John T.

#### DR. CALEB ANDERSON THOMPSON.

Dr. Caleb Anderson Thompson, son of John and Sophronia (Burress) Thompson, born February 5, 1851, in Smythe County, Virginia, married Sarah Alice Steele (daughter of I. B. and Jane Moore Steele), June 5, 1884, at Tazewell, Virginia.



Dr. Thompson came to Tazewell Court House, from Burkes Garden, Virginia, in 1873, when he was twenty-three years old, as a cabinet maker. He afterwards studied dentistry at Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, graduating in 1881. He was one of the pioneers in dentistry in this county, being the first native son of Tazewell to receive the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. He did the first gold crown and bridge work, also the first gold inlays made in the county. With the exception of two years spent in Utah, Dr. Thompson has been, and still is, in continuous practice in the town of Tazewell. He is recognized as one of the most skilled men in his profession. He is a member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62 A. F. & A. M., O'Keefe Royal Arch Chapter No. 26; and Clinch Valley Commandry No. 20. Is a Democrat and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Children of Dr. C. A. and Alice Steele Thompson: Earl C., who died April 11, 1924. He married Ida May McKinney of Oklahoma. They lived at Fort Worth, Texas (three children: Mary Alice, Edward W., and John Caleb); Roy Steele, who is Secretary and Treasurer of Flat Top Insurance Agency, married Trula Belle Kiser, daughter of Adolphus G. and Hattie Harman Kiser, September 19, 1912. They live at Bluefield, West Virginia (two children: Sarah Katherine and Roy Steele, Jr.); Janie, who married W. A. Creager, Cashier of First National Bank, North Fork, West Virginia (one son, William Alcock, Jr.); Eugene S., Cashier of Berwind National Bank, Berwind, West Virginia; Lucille; and Ralph, who is with the Norfolk & Western Railway at Bluefield, West Virginia.

John and Sophronia Thompson were the parents of the following children: Mary Jane, who married Paris Thompson, of Bland County, Virginia. He has a daughter, Clementine Thompson, by a former marriage; Caleb Anderson, who married Sarah Alice Steele; Thomas Edward, who died unmarried; Agnes and Laura, both died in infancy.

John Thompson was the son of Francis and Phebe (Chappell) Thompson. Francis Thompson was the only son of Francis Thompson, who came to America from England, about 1770. Said Francis Thompson was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and was fatally wounded at the Battle of Cowpens.



## CAPTAIN A. J. TYNES.

Captain Achilles James Tynes married Harriet Louisa Fudge, daughter of Reuben C. and Nancy Harman Fudge, March 2, 1864. She was born February 16, 1842.

Captain Achilles James Tynes was born near Shawsville, Montgomery county, Virginia, on November 29, 1833, and died at Tazewell, Virginia, November 11, 1914. Coming to Tazewell county from Roanoke in 1857, he there met and on March 2, 1864, married Harriet Louisa Fudge, who lived to survive him until July 1, 1922.

Captain Tynes was the son of Samuel Tynes, of Halifax, Virginia, and a grandson of Obediah Tynes, a lineal descendant of Colonel Tynes, a member of the staff of General Green of the British Army, who settled in South Carolina after the Revolutionary War, Colonel Tynes being of Scotch descent and having come from the head of the Tyne River in the Cheviot Hills. The mother of Captain Tynes was Frances Herndon Haythe, daughter of Captain William H. Haythe, of Campbell county, Virginia, a soldier in the war of 1812. The maternal grandmother of Captain Tynes was a daughter of the Honorable Achilles Moorman, who for many years represented Campbell county in the Virginia Legislature.

Harriet Fudge, the wife of Captain Tynes, was born in Tazewell county, February 16, 1842. She was a daughter of Reuben C. Fudge, who came to Tazewell county from Allegheny county and a granddaughter of Conrad Fudge who was for many years Clerk of the Allegheny County Court. Her paternal grandmother was Betsy Persinger, sister of Colonel John Persinger, a member of both branches of the Virginia Legislature and was a lineal descendant of ——— Persinger, a soldier in the Continental Army. Mrs. Tynes' mother was Nancy Wilburn Harman, who was a daughter of Hezekiah Harman, the progenitor of one of Tazewell county's pioneer and most illustrious families.

A. J. Tynes, along with three of his friends, was instrumental in the formation of the Tazewell Troopers during the threatening days that immediately preceded the outbreak of the Civil War throughout which he later served with distinction, first as a Lieutenant, and later as Brigade and Division Commissary in the 8th Virginia Cavalry, and later held the office of Major. He also served on the staffs of Colonel Corns, Brigadier Generals Jenkins and McCausland and Major Generals Lomax and Rosser, from Hawk's Nest, Sewel Mountain and Gauley River to Appomattox, with never a furlough nor a leave of absence asked.

He was one of Tazewell county's most useful and public spirited citizens. Soon after the war, in the face of the great obstacles he transported by horse and wagon from Cincinnati and Roanoke, the machinery for, erected and for years successfully operated the only woolen factory between Roanoke and the Ohio river, thus eliminating the slow and tedious process then in vogue of carding and weaving by hand. Denied all but the most meagre education for himself he became a leading protagonist of universal education. He, George W. Gillespie, Thompson Buchanan and the Rev. Jonathan Lyons constituted the first public school board of Tazewell county, and it was through their tireless efforts that school sites were procured, buildings erected, teachers provided and the county school system for the first time placed upon a sound and efficient basis. For nearly a quarter of a century Captain Tynes served as Secretary of the county and Clerk of the District School Board. Compulsory education was his passion, and his ardent and vigorous advocacy both on the platform and through the public press of the Ruffner Free School Bill, now a part of the State school system, is well remembered. He was a progressive and successful farmer and stock raiser, early promoting more scientific methods of farming and greater facility of transportation through active membership in the State Farmers' Institute and the Virginia Good Roads' Association of which he was an officer. He was a promoter and president of the Tazewell Street Railway Company through which agency electric power was first brought into the county.

Captain Tynes was a life long member of the Presbyterian Church, of which he was ruling elder for thirty years, during which period he rarely failed to represent his church in her highest courts, whether in Presbytery, Synod or the General Assembly.

Their children: Charles St. Clair (died age fourteen years); Mary Lee who married Henry Edgar Peery, of Nebraska—their children Mildred and Harriet; Nancy (dec'd.); Frances Moorman; Harriet Spottswood; Dr. Achilles L., who married Margaret Finley—their children: Harriet, Finley, Margaret and Lacy; Lacy A., who married Georgia Apperson; Conrad Fudge, who married Narcissa Pendleton—their children: Achilles James, Conrad Fudge and Nancy Pendleton; Eva St. Clair, who married James R. Laird—their children: Houston Tynes, Mary Eliza, Frances Spottswood (twins) and J. Robert, Jr.; Eliza Isabelle; and Buford C., attorney at Huntington, West Virginia.



## THE WARD FAMILY.

David Ward, the progenitor of the Ward family in Tazewell County, was the son of William Ward who came from Ireland about 1730. In the year 1769, David Ward located in Tazewell County, Va., in the "Cove" on the farm where his great-grand-grandson, George Ward, now lives.

"David Ward became a conspicuous figure among the frontiersmen, because of his intelligence and courage. He was known as one of the best Indian fighters on the Clinch, and was a member of Captain Russell's company that participated in the battle at Point Pleasant. When the Revolution began he became a member of the militia company of which William Bowen was captain; and went to King's Mountain with Rees Bowen, where he fought with Campbell's riflemen from the Holston and Clinch valleys.

After Russell County was formed, David Ward was made a justice of the peace for that county. When the county of Tazewell was erected he became, by operation of statute law, a justice of the peace of this county; and he was the first presiding justice of the county court. His son, John, was made the first county clerk of Tazewell. David Ward was chosen, along with Thomas Witten, Jr., to represent the county in the House of Delegates at the sessions of 1801-02, and 1802-03; and represented the county again at the sessions of 1809-10 and 1810-11. His son, John, also represented the county in the same legislative body at the sessions of 1812-13; 1813-14; 1814-15; and 1825-26." From Pendleton's *History of Tazewell*, p. 411.

David Ward and Ellenor, his wife, had the following children: 1. David, no further record; 2. John, see further; 3. Alexander, see further; 4. Peggy, who married a Belcher, no further record; and 5. William, who married a Doak.

2. John Ward (David, William), who married Nancy Bowen, daughter of Rees T. and Louisa (Smith) Bowen about 1798 or 1799. Their children: (a) Levicie, born February 6, 1800; died April 29, 1872; married William Barns, son of Robert, June 11, 1820. For genealogy of their children, see Barns line; (b) Jane (Gincy), who married Robert Gillespie, December 31, 1818, they moved to Texas; (c) Henry, who married a Wilson; (d) Rees, no further record; (e) Rufus, who married a Wilson; (f) Augustus, who married Rachel Burk, first wife (two children: Lafayette and Scott); and



Martha Collins, second wife (their children: Amanda E., who married James H. Harley; William W., who married Mary Lou Connelley; Nancy Virginia, who married J. M. Thompson; Ella A., who died young; Augustus M., who married Fannie M. Taylor; and Martha, who died young).

Augustus M. Ward (Augustus, John, David, William) married Fannie M. Taylor and had the following children: William T., who married Erla Kole (child, Virginia, perhaps others); Mary Virginia, who married Percy P. Hardis; Amanda Susan; Jonathan Augustus; and Walter Scott.

3. Alexander Ward (David, William), born December 11, 1790; died February 13, 1864; married Jennie Thompson, June 19, 1817. She was born April 11, 1800; died October 7, 1867. Their children: Rebecca, Margaret, Martha Jane, died unmarried, Erastus Blair, and Archibald Thompson.

Rebecca Ward (Alexander, David, William), born April 29, 1818; married Andrew J. Gibson, December 14, 1837. They had one daughter Ellen, who married Esquire Robert Barns, July 3, 1862. See Barns line; and three sons: Dr. Alexander; Rees T., who married Susan Buchanan of Thompson Valley, Va. They removed to Missouri; and Jack.

Margaret Ward "Peggy" (Alexander, David, William), born April 16, 1820; married Samuel T. Gibson, September 27, 1838. No children.

Erastus Blair Ward (Alexander, David, William), born March 13, 1825; died April 21, 1881; married Sarah J. Miller, April 6, 1853, died July 2, 1903. Their children: Mary Madison, Nancy Rebecca, T. A. Miller, Thompson Bane, Robert Jefferson, Sallie E., Grace Olivia, Elizabeth Jane, died in infancy, Mariah Margaret, died in infancy and Tobias Blair, died in infancy.

Mary Madison Ward (E. Blair, Alex., David, William) married James C. Hayter. Their children: Blair, who married A. C. Tillet and they have two children: Mary Lee, and Jack; Lillie Grace died young; Banie; Marguirete; Thompson; Mary; and Gladys Jefferson.

Nancy Rebecca Ward (E. Blair, Alex., David, William) married C. C. Long. Their children: Corrie; Sarah, who married Fred Law; Grace, who married John A. Holmes; William; and Fannie.

T. A. Miller Ward (E. Blair, Alex., David, William) married Lena Terry. Two children: Blair and Terry.

Thompson Bane Ward (E. Blair, Alex., David, William) married Elizabeth Buchanan. Their children: John Blair, Thompson B., Jr., Sarah and Jefferson.

Robert Jefferson Ward (E. Blair, Alex., David, William), born February 9, 1868; married Lucy Wilson, daughter of John W. Wilson November 29, 1893. Their children: Robert Blair, who died in infancy; Elizabeth, who married Ralph Bullard, son of Rev. Willie and Sarah Bill Bullard, (one daughter, Lucy Jefferson); Herbert; Nancy Bowen, and Lucy Craig.

Archibald Thompson Ward (Alexander, David, William), born March 2, 1832; married Rebecca C. Thompson, July 10, 1853. Their children: William A., John Blair, Eleanor, Samuel Benton, George, Matilda, who married Dr. W. E. Baylor; Rose, Selina, and Mary—last four daughters now deceased.

William A. Ward (Archibald T. Alex., David, William), married Jennie Belle Baylor (one son, John T., of Amarilla, Texas);

Rev. John Blair Ward, Presiding Elder of the Methodist Church, (Archibald T., Alex., David, William), married Sallie McCall. Their children: Jesse Thompson, who married Virginia Meadows (one child, Bessie); Blair, who married Dr. W. M. Frazier (children: Ward, Sallie, Elizabeth, and Billy); Ella, who married William Graham (children: George M., William, Jr., and Nelle); Fannie, who married Marvin McGuire (one child, Marvin, Jr.); and Laura, who married Charles R. Moss (one daughter, Nancy Ward).

Eleanor Ward (Archibald T., Alex., David, William), married Harvey A. George. Their children: Eloise, Billy, Sallie, Janie, Mary, Samuel, and Jesse.

Samuel Benton Ward (Archibald T., Alex., David, William), married Margaret Hayter. Their children: Rose, who married Leon Bishop, (two children: Samuel Ward and Oliver Whiting); and George, who died at twelve years of age.

George Ward (Archibald T., Alex., David, William) married Annie Moseley, first wife, August 28, 1889. She died June 6, 1896, and Alice Moseley, second wife, June 1897. Children of first marriage: Mary, who married Rees T. Bowen, September 14, 1912 (children: Annie Moseley and Rees T. Jr.); Irene, who married Harry Thompson, November 11, 1913 (children: Louise, Ann Floyd and Harry Lee); and Marguirite, who married Rev. B. O. Shannon, a Presbyterian minister, September, 1916 (children: Harriet, who died young, and George Ward).



## WHITLEY FAMILY.

In 1736, Benjamin Burden (or Borden) presented to Gov. Gooch a buffalo calf which he had caught and tamed. Thereupon Gov. Gooch entered on his journal an order authorizing Burden to locate, conditionally, any quantity of land, not exceeding 500,000 acres, on any of the waters of the Shenandoah, or James Rivers west of the Blue Ridge. One of the conditions of the grant was that he should settle one hundred families within its limits in ten years; and should have one thousand acres adjoining each cabin which he caused to be built, etc. In order to comply with this condition, Burden visited Great Britain in 1737; and on his return to Virginia brought upwards of one hundred families of adventurers to settle on his grant. Amongst these adventurers was Paul Whitley, who settled on Cedar Creek, where the red mill now stands—"Withers' Chronicles of Border Warfare" pp. 50 to 52. It is also therein stated that Paul Whitley was a soldier in Braddock's army as a member of a rifle company from Augusta County, Va., which was commanded by Captain Samuel Lewis.

William Whitley arrived in Kentucky in 1776, and with others took a prominent part with Daniel Boone, Benjamin Logan and James Harrod in the first settlement of Kentucky. Withers also states that William Whitley and George Clark were pilots on the expedition against the Shawnee Indian town of Little Chillicothe, O., in 1779.

In 1785, Captain William Whitley collected twenty-one men and pursued a party of Indians who had killed six whites and captured some prisoners. Captain Whitley's party recaptured the prisoners and killed two Indians. Ten days later, he with twenty-one men scored another success against the Indians.

Another William Whitley was killed by Indians in Tazewell County, Virginia, in 1786. See Vol. 1, Annals, p. 435.

History of Kentucky, by Wm. E. Connelley and Prof. E. M. Coulter; edited by Judge Charles Kerr, Vol. 1, pp. 210, 211:

"Whitley's Station, in Lincoln County, 2 miles southwest of Crab Orchard. In 1779, they found Col. Wm. Whitley's Station at Dick's River, on the Kentucky trace from Cumberland Gap. On the spot still stands a two-story brick house—claimed to be the first brick house built in Kentucky; the windows are set over six feet above the floor, to prevent the Indians seeing or shooting into the room.



"The following letter was written to Col. H. C. Whitley, Emporia, Kansas, from whom Mr. Connelley obtained it. It is of interest and historical value: 'I will write you the verses that are on the Powder Horn. They were his sentiments. He was always making rhymes.

Wm. Whitley I am your Horn,  
The truth I love, a lie I scorn,  
Fill me with best of powder  
I'll make your Rifle crack the louder,  
See how the dread terrific Ball  
Make Indians bleed and Tories fall  
You with Powder I'll supply  
For to defend your liberty.

Col William Whitley's Horn it holds two pounds of Powder.  
Crab Orchard, November

MR. H. C. WHITLEY,

MY DEAR SIR:

Mr. H. Bright gave me your address. I have been for some time hunting up the Whitleys and Shanks families. My father's name was William Whitley. My Mother's Polly Shanks. I want to find out if you are related to Col. Wm. Whitley, my grandpa. His Father, Solomon Whitley came from Ireland. He married Elizabeth Barnet in Ireland. Went to Virginia. My grandpa was born in Va., in Augusta County, Aug. 14th 1749. He married Esther Fuller. They were ones of the first settlers in Ky. They came here in 1773; had two children then. Grandma lived in Fort Nine years. Grandpa (was) an Indian fighter. As soon as the Indians got friendly he took up land & built (a house) near Crab Orchard. He built the first brick house in Kentucky. It is in good preservation; had an earthquake that cracked one end. A great many persons go to see it, 13 States there have the Eagles head with the Olive branch in its mouth to represent the States, on each step in the Hall stairway. Grandpa was in nineteen Battles and killed, the day Tecumseh was killed. He killed Tecumseh. He always loaded his gun with two Bullets he was Shot with a gun that was loaded with two bullets, 5th day (of) October, 1814. I expect he was a kin to your Father, a brother or cousin. I would like to know what kin he is to you, or if he has other relatives, and where they

are. I have neglected to ask all of my Whitley kin if he had brothers & where they lived & brothers sons and daughters. I want you to write me all about them. There is a Mr. Whitley in Va., a Preacher. A Mrs. Langstaff of Memphis has been writing to me. She says her Mother was Polly Whitley. Her Mother's Father's name was Raiford Whitley. I don't know anything about him. He may (be) a nephew of my Grandpa's. I want to know all about them. My grandpa had eleven children; three sons, William, Solomon and Andrew. They are all dead. I have my Grandpa's Gun & Powder Horn & Indian Belt. It is beaded; the one that killed Tecumseh—the gun. Please write me all about the Whitley's. They were honest upright people. I loved them all devotedly. I am the only one of my Pa's family living. I expect you and I are related. Hope to hear from you soon. Trusting God will bless you and your family in all of your business and that you may do all you can to further the blessed word of God and that you are of the blessed ones on earth. Accept my kindest regards for yourself & family.

SALLIE ANN HIGGINS.

My address is Sallie Ann Higgins  
Lincoln County Crab Orchard Kentucky.' ”

Collins' History of Kentucky, quoted by Waddell in his Annals of Augusta County, states: "Colonel William Whitley was born in that part of Augusta which now constitutes Rockbridge county, August 14, 1749. He married Ethel Fuller, and in 1775 removed to Kentucky, taking with him little more than his gun, axe and kettle. His brother-in-law, George Clark, accompanied him, and in the wilderness they met seven other men who joined them. He became a famous Indian fighter and during his life was engaged in seventeen battles with the savages. His last expedition of this kind was against the Indians south of the Tennessee river. It is known as the "Nickajack Expedition," from the name of the principal town against which it was directed. The number of whites engaged (chiefly Tennesseans) was from five hundred to seven hundred, and the Indians were routed with great slaughter. In 1813 Colonel Whitley then in the sixty-fifth years of his age, volunteered under Governor Shelby, and fell at the battle of the Thames, October 5th. He was selected by Colonel Richard M. Johnson to command a "forlorn hope" of twenty men, nearly all of whom were killed. It is believed by many persons, that Whitley,



and not Colonel Johnson, killed Tecumseh, the celebrated Indian chief, in that battle. Whitley County, Kentucky, was called for him."

Paul Whitley's will, probated in 1772 in Bottetourt County, Virginia, mentions his wife, Jane (who married second husband, Hugh Allen, and third husband, William Craig); children: Michael, Thomas, Samuel and Paul. *Annals of Tazewell County*, Vol. 1, p. 48, shows that a Paul Whitley married Nancy Maxwell (Maxfeel), June 10, 1801.

Pendleton, p. 433, says: "Margaret, daughter of Robert and Mary Maxwell, married David Whitley. He built a grist mill on the site now occupied by the Star Milling Company, at North Tazewell; and he built the stone house for a dwelling that is now a part of the residence of John D. Peery at North Tazewell. Margaret Maxwell was the ancestor of all the Whitleys who have since resided in that vicinity."

David Whitley was a son of Robert Whitley, as shown by Robert Whitley's will, probated 1802. See Vol. 1, *Annals*, p. 271. The will mentions his wife, Jane; his grand-daughter Nancy and grandson William; his daughters, Mary Wynne, Jane Brooks and Sarah Wynne; and his son David.

Ginney (Jane) Whitley, widow of Robert Whitley, will probated 1812, devises her property to her son, David; daughters, Polly Wynne, Sallie Wynne and Jinny Brooks; and to her grandchildren, Nancy and William Whitley, p. 272, Vol. 1, *Annals*.

So far we have been able to secure only a partial genealogy of David Whitley. His will, probated October, 1844, devised his property to his wife, Peggy, and to his six daughters, Jane Maxwell, Polly Six, Peggy Moore, Mary Hedrick, Betsy Hedrick and Cynthia Whitley; and to his sons, Andrew J., James, William and David R. Vol. 1, p. 280, *Annals*.

William Whitley (son of David) married Polly B. Moore, November 12, 1829. Their children: Elgin L., James S., Wesley P., Hugh, dec'd; John H. and one daughter, Emma, who married James Ireson.

Elgin L. Whitley (William, David), born 1831; died 1917; married Fannie A. Whitman. Their children: Ella J. and William Addison.

Ella J. Whitley (Elgin L., William, David), born January 11, 1862, married Robert H. Ireson, February 29, 1880. Their chil-



dren: (a) Robert Lane, who married Laura Hall, first, (one son, Earl), and Lettie Lowder, 2nd; (b) Annie Lou, dec'd; (c) William Moore, who married Nannie Denny; (d) Harvey Peery, who married Amelia Peery; (e) Eva May, who married Perle Thompson; (f) Janie Grey, who married Charles Yates; and (g) Robert St. Clair.

William Addison Whitley (Elgin L., William, David), married Cosby Harrison, daughter of Henry Harrison, September 10, 1885. Their children: (a) Frances Annie, who married C. G. Williamson; (b) Nellie Rose, who married H. A. Vawter; (c) Nannie Belle, dec'd; and (d) Margaret May, who married C. David Peery, son of John D.

James S. Whitley (William, David), born February 16, 1834; married Margaret P. Witten, January 11, 1854. She was born July 22, 1828. Their children: Mary Alice, Sarah R., Reese J., Margaret E., Louisa, and Florence.

Mary Alice Whitley (James S., William, David), born December 9, 1854; died January 13, 1911; married Dr. A. T. Graham. Their children: Dr. J. W. Graham, who married Leora Vayden; Dr. R. N. Graham, who married Mattie Jesse; Mabel Graham, who married W. M. White; and Vicie Graham, who married Dr. W. E. Bundy.

Sarah R. Whitley (James S., William, David), born October 9, 1856; died September 17, 1918; married E. P. Moore. Their children: J. W. Moore; Margaret Moore, who married C. P. Painter; J. A. Moore, and C. W. Moore.

Rees J. Whitley (James S., William, David), born March 14, 1859; married Rachel W. Witten, daughter of Robert Witten, March 17, 1887. Their children: Margaret C., who married V. C. Smith, September 13, 1911; Blanche, who married W. B. McCall, January 19, 1912; Willie Reese, dec'd; Robert, who married Ethel Collies (Collins), June 4, 1921; Sadie, who married Frank M. Shelton, November 2, 1918; Janie, who married J. W. Mundy, Jr., October 1, 1919; Walter; Keister, who married Pearl Long, January 16, 1922; Garnet; and Ros-Ell.

Margaret E. Whitley (James S., William, David), born June 18, 1852; married W. H. Witten. Their children: James R., dec'd; Matilda, dec'd; Cynthia R., who married Walter Hoilman; Ella Lucille, who married R. W. Johnson; Samuel E., who married Edith Newman; Bea., who married Spurlock Adkins; Luther and John H.

Louisa Whitley (James S., William, David), born June 9, 1865; married J. H. Jones. They have two children: Maude and Claude, twins. Maude married A. J. Hurdle; and Claude married Lucille Stamy.

Florence J. Whitley (James S., William, David), born October 19, 1872; married George W. Keister. Their children: Louisa G., who married C. B. Jesse (one daughter, Vera Jeanette); Blanchard O.; Margaret E., who married T. E. Duncan; Virginia; Walter J.; and Gertrude.

Wesley Whitley (William, David), married Margaret R. Peery, first wife, November 2, 1853. She died and he married Kate Lawrence, second wife.

John H. Whitley (William, David), born January 1, 1842; died September 17, 1918; married Ella Whitman, October 31, 1865.

John H. Whitley entered the service of the Confederacy as First Lieutenant, Co. "K," 45th Virginia Infantry, in May 1861. A few months later he was promoted to a captaincy, which position he held until the spring of 1862, at which time he joined Co. "I," 16th Virginia Cavalry, and was made a lieutenant. He was captured by the enemy July, 1864, and was held a prisoner until the close of the war. Their children: (a) Annie Cora, born May 26, 1868, who married J. R. Peery, December 20, 1893, and died December 25, 1895; (b) Hugh Price, born 1869 and died 1883; (c) John Whitman, born February 12, 1871, who married Nannie Peery, daughter of the late John Peery, November 8, 1893.\* (Their children: Nannie Rose, who married R. Walter Miller, August 5, 1925; Stewart French, who married Mattie Beavers, December 26, 1921; John David, who married Margaret Hawkins, February 6, 1925; and Ellen Mary, who died January 31, 1920 at fourteen years of age); (d) Elgin Lane, born April 13, 1874, who married Hattie Speer, October 2, 1901; died February, 1925; (e) William Neel, born December 24, 1876, who married Gertrude Burnett, September 7, 1904; (f) Mary Naomi, born August 14, 1878, dec'd; and (g) Nellie Rose, who died in infancy.

\*John Whitman "Jack" Whitley is now, and has been for many years, one of the leading merchants at North Tazewell, Virginia.



## WITTEN FAMILY.

A BRIEF SKETCH OF THE VIRGINIA BRAND OF THE WITTEN FAMILY  
BY JAMES W. WITTEN, WASHINGTON, D. C., ASSISTED  
BY HOMER WITTEN, CAMBRIDGE, OHIO.

To the Assembled Wittens at North Baltimore, Ohio:

The word Witten is of Teutonic origin, and when translated from Old German into the English language we have the word "white", and hence it was that when Shakespeare brought Hamlet from Wittenberg to attend his father's funeral, and later his mother's wedding, he came from the "Whitetown."

The Wittens came from the Teutonic countries into England about the 4th or 5th centuries, A. D., perhaps, so tradition tells us, but there is no authentic history of them prior to about the year 856, when trustworthy records show them residing in Yorkshire, England. After that time they are known to have held high offices, both civil and ecclesiastical, in Yorkshire. Prior to the time Henry the Eighth introduced the Protestant church in his kingdom they were all Catholics, but later a part of the family left the mother church, and the remainder continued true to the old faith, and it was the Catholic branch or part of them who immigrated to America about 1632, as members of Lord Baltimore's colony by whom Maryland was settled. They were largely intermarried with the Cecils, and they with the Calverts, Baltimore's family, and hence it was that Robert Cecil, after he became the second Lord Burleigh, sent Calvert, as Lord Baltimore, to govern Maryland.

I have no history of their doings in Maryland, and the most I can tell is that in 1771, or thereabouts, Thomas Witten, whom I shall call the first Thomas, left Maryland and was one of the first of two white men to take their families into what is now, and since 1800 has been Tazewell county, Virginia. Other settlers came soon after his coming. At that time the Indians were numerous and troublesome in that section of the country, especially in the winter time, and so warlike were they that it became necessary for the whites to band together for self protection. The first Thomas and his neighbors constructed a fort surrounded by a high stockade within which the settlers for miles around assembled during the winter months as the numerous and prowling savages made it unsafe for them to remain in their cabin homes. He had a large family,



among whom were several sons who gained local distinction as Indian scouts and hunters. Among them was one James, of whom an early historian of that region remarks: "He was born January 7, 1759, in the Colony of Maryland, and migrated to Tazewell with his father. At this time though only about fifteen years of age, he was much distinguished as a hunter and woodsman. He was brave and generous to a fault; and was remarked for his decided action, even at that early age. He was married in 1783, and became at once a conspicuous character in the border war which had not yet ceased. From 1794 to 1796 he was employed as a regular spy. When any duty requiring bravery, firmness and prudence had to be performed, James Witten was the man invariably chosen, and he possessed these qualities in an eminent degree. Many incidents of interest are related of him which should be preserved."

My great-grandfather was another of these sons who did his part in defending the helpless white pioneers against the blood-thirsty savages. He was Thomas the second. During the Revolutionary war he was an ensign (second lieutenant) in Capt. Martin's Company of Col. Preston's Regiment. This regiment did not fight the British, but were assigned to the duty of defending the frontier along the mountains between Pennsylvania and southwest Virginia from the encroachments of the Indians who were incited by our enemies. For this service he was granted a pension by the United States government of \$24 a month, and his pension papers are now on file in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., where his signature can be seen. He was the first representative elected from Tazewell county, Virginia, to the General Assembly and served for several terms.

The first Thomas, father of my great-grandfather, was born in 1710, in Maryland, and his sons were Philip, Jeremiah, Thomas, James and William. Philip married and moved to Witten's Landing, on the Ohio River, in 1791; his wife's maiden name was Ruth Dickerson; to them were born James, Thomas, Joseph, Peter, John and Rachel. James' wife's name was Margaret; to them were born John, Ebenezer, Arthur, Jane, Amanda (still living), Ruth, Isabel. Sarah, Minerva.

To Peter and his wife, Rachel, were born Thomas, James, Jeremiah, J. N., Joseph (still living), Ruth, Ann, Vesta, Mary D., Rachel (living), Debra and Thomas.

To Joseph and wife, Nancy, were born Thomas, Arthur and Luther.

To John and wife, Susan, were born Owen, Kinsey, Philip, Mary and Ruth.

Rachel married Nicholas Wells, and to them were born Phillip W., Ruth, Elizabeth, Mackey, Rachel, Delila, Arsissus.

Third Thomas married Sarah Bucanon, moving to Byesville, Guernsey Co., Ohio, in 1808. To them were born Philip, Elizabeth, Harrison, Thomas (living, aged 86 years), Malinda, Margaret, Ruth, Joseph, William.

Philip married Rebecca Jackson, raising a family in Van Wert county, Ohio, moving there in 1859.

Elizabeth married Thomas Wilson, raising a family in Guernsey county, Ohio.

Harrison married Kebia Burt, raising a family in Wood county, Ohio, moving there in 1854.

Fourth Thomas married Ruth Meaks, first wife, Elizabeth Hardesty, second wife, raising a family in Wood county, Ohio, moving there in 1866.

Malinda died in maidenhood.

William married Catherine Rogers, and raised a family in Wood county, Ohio, moving there in 1853.

Margaret married Elijah Shriver, raising a family in Guernsey county, Ohio.

Ruth married Dawson Bain and raised a family in Noble county, Ohio.

Joseph married Miss Shriver, first wife, Elizabeth Rose, second wife, and raised a family in Guernsey county, Ohio.

The second Thomas married Elnor Cessel, and his children were Rebecca, Samuel, William, Thomas J., John, Linney, James, Zachariah, Thomas, Hiram, John, Abitha and James Stanley, the last of whom was my grandfather.

I am unable to give much of the history of either the first or second Thomas. Of the children of the second Thomas I have been told that Rebecca married John Graham and afterwards lived in Kentucky. Samuel married a Greenup and was last heard of as a resident of Texas and his descendants now live in that state and Oklahoma. One of these descendants unfortunately stammers in his speech, and having lived for some time among the Indians in that region, was called by them "Two-Talk Witten" because he repeated his words.



Of the other children of the second Thomas, William was married several times (I have been told seven or eight) and resided in Virginia and Missouri. As a small boy I remember him very well and used in a childish way to pity him because he had buried so many companions. He was a living proof of the fact that marriage is not a failure, or of the conclusion that there is no such a thing as single blessedness.

Of the others of my great uncles, the sons of the second Thomas, Hiram married a Laird and lived and died in the Old Dominion; Zachariah was a Methodist preacher; John married a Rutledge and lived and died in Virginia; Tibitha married a Davidson with whom she lived and died in Virginia, and James Stanley, my grandfather, married Lavicie Thompson, with whom he lived in Virginia on the old homestead near the "Witten Fort" on Plum creek until about 1850 when he moved to Grundy county, Missouri, where he died in 1863, leaving as his sons John T., Samuel K., Eleanor, Henry, my father, William M. and Charles F., all of whom are now dead except William M., who lives in Spokane, Washington, and Charles F., who lives in Oklahoma.

The family as far back as I know them have been Methodists in religious belief, and have voted the Democratic ticket, although none of them were partisans politically. William, the youngest son of the first Thomas, moved from Virginia to the Saquatche valley, in Tennessee, at an early day, and his five sons were all Methodist preachers.

The family have as a rule been honest tillers of the soil, in the main thrifty and well-to-do. Of all the numerous tribe I know of but four are doctors and three are lawyers, and I have the misfortune of being one of the three lawyers, and am now and have for the last fourteen and a half years been looking after Uncle Sam's law business in so far as it relates to the sale of his public lands. Of the other two lawyers, one of them, Thomas A., a prominent attorney of Kansas City, Mo., and Wirt W., of Indian Territory, are great-grandsons of William, the numerously married William, son of the second Thomas.

On October 5, 1907, a reunion of the Witten family was held in North Baltimore, Ohio, at the home of Bishop Witten, and sister, Margaret Steele, who gave a luxuriant feast, and a grand time was enjoyed by all present. Another reunion was announced to be held



at Byesville, Ohio, in August, 1908, the date to be given later with the program."

The names of those present at the reunion are omitted.

#### HISTORICAL.

The first historical mention of the Witten family is of their entrance into England from ancient Germany, in the fourth or fifth century, A. D. History does not again record the name until about 855, when they are spoken of prominently as residents of Yorkshire. In 1632 a family of Wittens (no names recorded) immigrated to America with Lord Baltimore's company, settling in Maryland. A record of the family, written in 1766, by Thos. Witten, Sr., states that the Cecil, Witten and Calvert families were intermarried to a great extent.

Thomas Witten, Sr., was born in 1719, and his wife, Elizabeth Cecil, in 1720. The result of this union was: Elizabeth, born in 1743, Susanel, born in 1745, Philip, born in 1747, Jeremiah, born in 1749, Kiziah, born in 1751, Thomas, Jr., born in 1753, Ann, born in 1755, William, born in 1757, James, born in 1759, and William Hanley, born in 1761.

Thomas, Jr., settled in Tazewell County, Virginia, and was prominent in the Revolutionary War. William died in infancy. Nothing definite is known of the others except Philip, who settled on the site of this reunion. Philip married Ruth Dickerson, and some time between 1766 and 1790 the family came to Fort Henry (now Wheeling), and settled on the creek about seven miles east of the river. He was not satisfied here, and reasoned that there should be more beautiful and fertile lands farther south on the river. In company with his brother-in-law, Noah Dickerson, he made a trip down the Ohio in a canoe, going as far south as the present city of Louisville, landing and inspecting several sites thought suitable for a settlement, but finding none that offered the advantages of fertility, beauty and pleasant location as this. The land was purchased from someone in Philadelphia and the deed recorded in Marietta, September 1, 1790. This settlement is believed to be the second in Ohio.

Philip and Ruth Witten had seven children: Elizabeth, born in 1772, Thomas, born in 1775, Joseph, born in 1777, Rachel, born in 1780, John, born in 1783, Peter, born in 1786, and James, born in

1788. Elizabeth died in infancy, Thomas settled in Byesville, Guernsey County, Ohio, Joseph and John in Wetzel County, West Virginia, Rachel married Nicholas Wells in 1810 and lived at Long Reach, West Virginia.

Peter and James remained on the old farm. Peter married Rachel Bowen, and to them were born twelve children, of which Joseph is now the only one surviving.

James married Margaret Scott, and to them were born fourteen children. Those still living are Amanda Witten and Mrs. Isabella Hubbard, of Wittens, and Mrs. Ruth McReight, of Antioch, Ohio.

The descendants of these sturdy pioneers are found all over this great country. Some in politics, some in the professions, others in agriculture; but wherever found they present that type of citizenship that forms the bulwark of our government—living the best that is in them, believing in God and the right, content to do their work and do it well. A type one would expect whose ancestors were reared in a locality of which it has been said, 'I believe when God fashioned the earth and man, He touched this spot with a tender and more loving hand. To the flowers He gave a richer hue and purer scent. To the birds a sweeter note for their tiny throats. There always seems a melody of joy in the air which is redolent of woodland odors. The hills wear a deeper azure and present more pleasing and varied curves to their rolling outlines. The streams meandering on with their clear and crystal waters, sparkling like champagne, warbling a little song like an echo to the music of the birds. The golden sunshine coquetting through the trees, making deep and weird figures through the beech, sycamores, and oaks, and weaving lacework through the quivering willows. Nowhere do the stars shine with equal brilliancy or the moon with the same radiant, silvery sheen.' "

From a printed sermon preached at Missouri Annual Conference at St. Louis, by Rev. Robert Witten, October 7, 1906, we take the following:

#### "MY ANCESTRY.

I suppose the name to be German, as Germans inform me of many of the name in and about the old town of Wittenberg. Some have found their way to the British Isles. About the year 1750 three brothers from the British Isles landed in Baltimore and set-



tled in Maryland, but afterwards one went to Georgia, one to North Carolina and the other, Thomas Witten, in 1773, settled on the headwaters of Clinch river in what is now Tazewell county, Virginia. He raised five sons, named Philip, Jeremiah, Thomas, James and William. He was a commissioned officer in the Revolutionary war. He secured enough land to give each of his sons a farm, reserving his home for his youngest son William, who cared for him and his aged companion while they lived. William married Letitia Laird, a daughter of John and Lucy Laird, whose maiden name was Lucy Pickens. Through family tradition, coming only through my father and grandmother, I learn that Lucy Pickens when at the age of twelve years was one of a number of devout Christians who were driven by persecutors in a region of swamps in Scotland and guarded till all perished except Lucy Pickens who eluded the guards and escaped. She was said to be a niece of Lord Baltimore.

William Witten and Letitia Witten, his wife and two others, were in 1793, organized into the first Methodist class organized in Tazewell County, Virginia.

They became the parents of four sons and seven daughters. James Witten, the second child and oldest son, was my father, and was born January 5, 1793. John Wesley, the second son, was born in 1800. William Abbott, the third son, named for his father and Benjamin Abbott, was born in 1807. Thomas the fourth son, named for his grandfather, was born in 1809. The four sons all became Methodist preachers. And all except William Abbot became itinerants.

In the fall of 1805 my grandfather sold his farm in Virginia and moved into Sequatchie Valley, Bledsoe County, Tennessee, in a new purchase of land recently made from the Indians. My father was then thirteen years old. . . .

My father was a first lieutenant in the War of 1812, at the close of which he entered the ministry and was admitted on trial in the Tennessee conference in the fall of 1817, after having labored one year as a supply. His first appointment was Lee circuit, which included Lee county, Virginia, and a few appointments in adjoining counties. His appointment in 1818 was Tennessee valley. In 1820 Cumberland circuit in Kentucky. In 1820 he returned to Lee circuit. On this charge lived Joshua Ewing, a substantial old School Presbyterian. His house was the home of all preachers who preached in the neighborhood."



From data obtained from various sources, including the foregoing, we have constructed the following genealogy. For convenience of the reader, much of the data is here repeated.

Thomas Witten I. moved from Maryland to Southwest Virginia and located in Giles County, on Walker's Creek. Bickley's History says that Thomas Witten and John Greenup settled at Crab Orchard, on Clinch River in what is now Tazewell County, in 1771. Thomas Witten, assisted by his sons and neighbors, in 1772 or 1773, built a fort for protection from the Indians. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

Thomas Witten's sons, who came with him, were: John, who had married in Maryland; James; Philip; Jeremiah, Thomas, Jr.; and William. His son-in-law, John Greenup, who had married Elizabeth Witten, also came with him.

James Witten (of Thomas I.), born January 7, 1759, married Rebecca Cecil, daughter of Samuel Cecil, in 1783. James Witten was a noted Indian scout. He and his wife, Rebecca, lived in a cabin near the brick house built by his son, Col. James Wilkerson M. Witten, and now occupied by James McGuire. See Vol. 1, of these Annals, p. 412, for account of his efficiency as a scout.

Their children: Samuel; Thomas, who married Mary Lackey, daughter of Alexander Lackey of Floyd Co., Ky.; William, of whom further; and James Wilkerson M., of whom further.

William Witten (of James, Thomas I.) married Charlotte Hackworth, and they had the following children: (a) John, who married Lydia Ramey, daughter of Judge James Ramey of Kentucky; (b) George Hamilton, who married Martha Butler, daughter of George Butler; (c) Isaac Q., who married Elizabeth Hackworth; (d) William, Preston, who married Mary Jane Dixon, daughter of Martin B. Dixon; (e) Thomas F., who married Lucina Ward; (f) Francis, who died unmarried; (g) Rebecca, who married Etchison Preston; (h) Malinda, who married Eliphas Preston; (i) Nancy, who married John Mankens, son of William; and (j) Susan, who married Wiley W. Howes. Four of these brothers served in the Union army, during the war between the states, viz: George Hamilton, William Preston, Thomas F., and Francis. Francis died of a wound received near Atlanta. They were all in the 14th Regiment, Kentucky volunteers.

Children of William Preston and Mary Jane Dixon Witten: (a) Julia Frances, who married William Elsey Connelley. Mr. Connelley is State Secretary of Kansas Historical Society. He is author

of "Harman Station"; "Eastern Kentucky Papers"; co-author with Judge Kerr, of "History of Kentucky" and is author of other historical works. He stands high among the members of state and national societies. We are indebted to Mr. Connelley for much valuable data on "Harman Genealogy" and also for valuable material for this volume of the Annals of Tazewell County, in respect to the Witten family.

Children of Julia Frances and William E. Connelley: Bernadette, who married James M. Coldiron (first) and William Geible (second); and Dr. Walter Constantine, born August 21, 1879, married Virgie Vencill, (first wife) December 25, 1903. She was born February 20, 1882; died May 10, 1910. He married Grace Bayes (second wife) April 8, 1912. She was born February 23, 1883. Children of first marriage: Francis William E., who married Gladys Blankenship, 1921 (one child, Walter Francis); and Edith Virginia, who married Charles Stafford, 1923 (one child, Mary Madeline). Children of second marriage: Louise, Edwin Constantine, Pitt Witten, Christine, dec'd, Gus, William Elsey, Jr., John Russell, and Marcus. Dr. Connelley graduated at the University of Louisville (Medical Department), July 30, 1907, and has practiced medicine at Salyersville, Mocofoff Co., Kentucky since August 16, 1907.

(b) Genoa, who married David May; (c) Rebecca White, who married Adam Harman; (d) Ann; (e) Della, who married William H. Howes; (f) Mary, who married George Van Hoose; (g) Chloe, who died in infancy; (h) Lella; (i) William Pitt; and (j) John, who married Sola May.

James Wilkerson M. Witten (James, Thomas I.), born August 12, 1807; died March 6, 1878; married Rachel White, of Wythe County, Virginia. Colonel Witten was an extensive farmer and large slaveholder. He was a prominent citizen of Tazewell county, serving three terms in the Virginia Legislature, sessions 1834-35, 1838-39 and 1851-52, and filled various other positions of honor and trust which are recorded elsewhere in the Annals of Tazewell County.

Their children: (a) Susan R., who married Ebenezer Howard, March, 1852. No children; (b) James Richard; (c) Thomas G.; (d) Linnie, who married Rees B. Gillespie. See Gillespie line; (e) Samuel, who married ———— Heninger. They moved to Utah; (f) Augustus; (g) Polly, who married Richard Kelly, no



children; (h) Robert B.; (i) Louise, who married Peter Hicks, of Giles County, Va., no children; (j) Maria, who married James S. Peery. See Peery line; (k) John H.; who married Amanda Nelson; (l) Claiborne, who died young; and (m) Andrew, who died unmarried.

(b) *James Richard Witten*, born March 29, 1830; died October 10, 1902; married Matilda Jane Davidson, March 15, 1853. She was born October 29, 1833 and died April 16, 1876. Mr. Witten was a large man physically, of strong intellect, with an unusual grasp of public affairs, and withal the inclination and ability to express his conviction at any time and place he found it necessary to do so. His generosity in the dispensation of his hospitality was bounded only by his material possessions. He kept open house and was never happier than when surrounded in his home with a house full of his friends.

James R. Witten filled various public offices and positions of public trust. He represented the county in the Virginia House of Delegates during several successive terms (see Vol. 2, *Annals of Tazewell county*). In 1881 he was appointed Chief Clerk in the office of United States Marshall for the Western District of Virginia, under Hon. John G. Watts, which office he filled with his usual efficiency shown in all of his undertakings. His father, James Wilkerson M. Witten, was a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, from Tazewell county, sessions, 1851, 1852 and 1853. His grandfather, James Witten, was a Revolutionary Soldier and a noted Indian Scout (see Vol. I, p. 412, *Annals of Tazewell county*). His great-grandfather, Thomas Witten, was also a Revolutionary Soldier, and it is said he was the first permanent resident of Tazewell county. Bickley says, Thomas Witten located at the Crab-orchard (now Pisgah) in 1771. Pendleton's History fixes the date 1767; and further says that it was Thomas Witten who, in 1768, furnished powder to the Cherokee Indians while they were fighting their final battle with the Shawnees, on a ridge a short distance south of his cabin. Thomas Witten was Sheriff of Tazewell county in 1821-22-23, and his son Thomas was his deputy. Thomas Witten died October 6, 1841, at the age of eight-nine years.

#### NAMES AND DATES OF BIRTH COPIED FROM THE JAMES RICHARD WITTEN FAMILY BIBLE.

Rachel White Witten, December 19, 1853.

James Wilkerson McKinder Witten, December 19, 1853.





The ten Witten Sisters, daughters of James R. and Natilda Davidson Witten.



Cynthia Hankins Sparks, 94 years of age; daughter, Mrs. John T. Sparks; grand-daughter, Mrs. S. B. Dillion; great-granddaughter, Mrs. Pearl Sutherland, and great-great-granddaughter, Ruby Sutherland.



Julia Brown Witten, July 21, 1855.

Maria Louise Witten, September 24, 1856.

Susan Howard Witten, January 30, 1858.

William Henry Witten, July 17, 1859.

Mary Witten, August 2, 1860.

Dead born child, twin to Mary, August 2, 1860.

Ancil Davidson Witten, April 4, 1862.

Richard White Witten, April 4, 1862.

Coralie Anna Witten, March 10, 1864.

Nancy Jane Witten, September 8, 1865.

Cassandra Rebecca Witten, February 22, 1867.

Cynthia Ann Matilda Witten, October 2, 1868.

Lucy Davis Witten, March 23, 1870.

Ebenezer Snead Howard Witten, November 12, 1871.

Samuel Claiborn Witten, February 28, 1873.

Matilda Davidson Witten, September 15, 1874.

John Thomas Witten, September 15, 1874.

James W. M. Witten died August 26, 1854.

John Thomas Witten died September 18, 1874.

Matilda Jane Witten, wife of James R. Witten was born October 29, 1833, died April 16, 1876, age forty-two years, five months and seventeen days.

Samuel Claiborne Witten died, November 25, 1881.

Cassandra Rebecca Witten died February 26, 1882.

Children of James Richard Witten:

(1) *Rachel White Witten*, born December 19, 1853; died December 28, 1913; married Samuel Houston Laird, March 28, 1871. He was born June 28, 1848; died January 31, 1903. For their children, see Laird line, in this book and also in Harman Genealogy (1925) p. 115, more fully shown.

(2) *Julia Brown Witten*, born July 21, 1855, married T. E. George on January 7, 1875. Date of her husband's birth, December 6, 1850. He died January 4, 1907. Their children: Lena Howard George, born September 25, 1875, died February 5, 1889; William Oscar, born November 1, 1877; Susan Matilda, born December 28, 1880, died January 31, 1881; James Ebenezer, born June 17, 1882, died January 13, 1903; Eleanor White (Nell), born September 28, 1889 and Thomas Edwin, born June 4, 1891, died March 9, 1918.



(a) *William Oscar George* married *Lillie Leece* on June 12, 1907, date of her birth February 5, 1883. Their children: *Thomas Edwin George*, born March 23, 1908; *Charles Leece*, born July 31, 1910; *William Oscar*, born September 19, 1911 and *Alice Hayter*, born February 7, 1924.

(b) *Eleanor White (Nell) George*, married *George Clifford (Jack) Appleton* on May 5, 1915. One child. *Julia Langhorne Appleton*, born March 12, 1916.

(3) *Maria Louisa Witten*, born September 24, 1856, died April 13, 1920, married *Francis Patton Floyd, M. D.*, on November 22, 1877, date of husband's birth February 22, 1853, died December 5, 1881. Their children: *Marietta Lavelet Floyd*, born September 9, 1879, died December 26, 1881; *Francis Patton Floyd, M. D.*, born February 4, 1882, married *Eva Russell McClune* on June 1, 1920, date of her birth, February 15, 1885. Their children: *Francis Patton Floyd, Jr.*, born March 5, 1921, at Glen Jean, Fayette Co., W. Va. and *Lucy Louisa*, born April 18, 1924, at Glen Jean, Fayette Co., W. Va.

(4) *Susan Howard Witten*, born January 31, 1858, married *R. A. Crockett* on the 28th day of October, 1875, date of husband's birth, May 13, 1851. Their children: *James Addison Crockett*, born September 21, 1876, Tazewell, Va.; *Matilda Jane*, born September 20, 1877, Tazewell, Va., died ————, 1925; *Rosa Lee*, born February 10, 1879, Fort Worth Texas; *Charles Henry*, born March 14, 1880, Fort Worth, Texas; *Julia George*, born March 8, 1881, Albany, Mo.; *Lucy Davis*, born September 10, 1882, Albany, Mo.; *Martha*, born March 23, 1884, Stanberry, Mo.; *Jessie* born September 14, 1885, Stanberry, Mo., died April 27, 1888; *William Witten*, born November 12, 1887, Stanberry, Mo.; *Eliza*, born January 24, 1889, Stanberry, Mo., died January 24, 1889; *Elmer King*, born April 7, 1890, Stanberry, Mo.; *Oliver (twin)*, born August 22, 1892; Stanberry, Mo.; *Olive (twin)*, born August 22, 1892, Stanberry, Mo.; *Lou Floyd*, born October 20, 1896, Stanberry, Mo.; *Susie Howard*, born September 24, 1899, Stanberry, Mo. and *Nannie Bernice*, born January 6, 1902, Stanberry, Mo.

(a) *James Addison Crockett* married *Mrs. N. Ahart* on the 10th day of December, 1914, date of wife's birth September 3, 1870.

(b) *Rosa Lee Crockett* married *W. J. Brown* on the 5th day of March, 1903, date of husband's birth May 30, 1878. Their chil-

dren: James Marvin Brown, born December 27, 1903, Darlington, Mo.; Susie Evelyn, born March 31, 1907, Albany, Mo. and Margurette Katherine, born April 8, 1912, Albany, Mo.

(c) *Charles Henry Crockett* married to Bessie Kendrick on the 6th day of September, 1918, date of wife's birth October 4, 1885.

(d) *Julia George Crockett* married to J. R. Spencer on the 9th day of February, 1911, date of husband's birth May 5, 1871. Their children: Helen Louise Spencer, born August 30, 1913, Wendell, Idaho, and John Robert, born September 11, 1916, Wendell, Idaho.

(e) *Martha Crockett* married E. W. Baker on 24th day of April, 1909, date of husband's birth April 7, 1881.

(f) *William Witten Crockett* married Maude M. Taylor on the 14th day of August 1917, date of wife's birth September 25, 1885.

(g) *Elmer K. Crockett*, married Mary Elizabeth Bean on the 30th day of August 1924.

(h) *Oliver Crockett*, married ————. Their children: Oliver Eldon Crockett, born October 24, 1922, Gentry, Mo. and Curtis Olen, born May 23, 1924, Gentry, Mo.

(i) *Lou Floyd Crockett*, married G. C. Alexander on the 25th day of February, 1915, date of husband's birth, December 2, 1890. Their children: Leiva Marie Alexander, born November 10, 1916, Stanberry, Mo., died February 7, 1917; Lawrence Junior, born January 10, 1918, Stanberry, Mo. and Norma Jean, September 12, 1923, Albany, Mo.

(5) *William Henry Witten*, born July 17, 1859, married Maggie E. Whitley on July 22, 1880, died December 12, 1923; date of her birth June 18, 1862. Their children: James Graham Witten, born May 31, 1881, died November 31, 1883; Margaret Matilda, born January 28, 1884, died August 30, 1915; Cynthia Rebecca, born March 28, 1886; Hattie May, born December 4, 1888, died November 21, 1910; Ella Lucile, born July 11, 1891; Samuel Edward, born January 20, 1894; Mary Bea, born May 22, 1896; Luther Reis, born February 25, 1903 and John Andrew, born May 21, 1906.

(a) *Cynthia Rebecca Witten*, married Walter M. Hoilman on October 26, 1904, date of his birth February 22, 1877. Their children: Hazel A. Hoilman, born March 12, 1906; Margaret Sue, born May 23, 1912 and Annie Lucile, born March 14, 1918.



(b) *Ella Lucile Witten*, married Robert W. Johnson on January 4, 1909, date of his birth March 6, 1881. Their children: Lillian Rebecca Johnson, born June 25, 1910 and Robert William, born May 14, 1917.

(c) *Samuel Edward Witten*, married —————. One child, Helen Lucile Witten.

(d) *Mary Bea Witten*, married Spurlock Adkins on July 15, 1913. Their children: Robert Walter Adkins, born April 2, 1915; Margaret Virginia, born March 6, 1918; Samuel Edward, born March 12, 1920 and William Earl, born December 12, 1924.

(6) *Mary Witten*, born on August 2, 1860, married Charles S. Kahle on February 22, 1882, date of his birth February 22, 1856. Their children: James Samuel Kahle, born December 24, 1882; William Davidson, born June 29, 1884; Katherine Matilda, born October 21, 1887 and Mary Elizabeth, born July 25, 1897.

(a) *James Samuel Kahle*, married Stella Turner, on the 21st day of June, 1913, date of wife's birth October 15, 1883. Their children: Mary Witten Kahle, born May 18, 1915, Bluefield, W. Va., James Samuel, Jr., born October 1, 1917, Bluefield, W. Va., and William Henry Kahle, born August 18, 1925, Bluefield, W. Va.

(b) *William Davidson Kahle*, married Emily Virginia Hudgins on June 5, 1911, date of her birth May 4, 1887. Their children: Mary Virginia Kahle, born September 3, 1914 and Charles Hudgins, born June 2, 1919.

(c) *Kathleen Matilda Kahle*, married David Kelly Peck, on the 23rd day of August, 1911, date of husband's birth July 23, 1883, died January, 1922. Their children: David Kelly Peck, Jr., born October 24, 1912; Chas. Kahle, born April 5, 1914; Mary Witten (twin), born May 28, 1917; Katherine Barnett (twin), born May 28, 1917 and Rachel Virginia, born September 5, 1918.

(b) *Mary Elizabeth Kahle* married David T. Lowman on June 6, 1920. One daughter, Elizabeth Ann, born March 10, 1925.

(7) *Ancil Davidson Witten*, born April 4, 1862, married Bettie M. Stephens February 11, 1885, her birth, July 22, 1860. Their children: Lawrence Claiborn Witten born April 21, 1886 and Cecil Davidson, born November 26, 1887.

Ancil D. Witten was born at Wittens Mills, in Tazewell County, Virginia, where he received his early education and training to fit him for the battle of life. After leaving the farm he began his



business career as a travelling salesman for the tobacco house of J. K. Montague, at Christiansburg, and continued in this work until 1892, when he became associated with the tobacco concern of Penn, Watson & Company, at Martinsville, Va. Later he became a partner in the firm of Rucker, Witten & Company, there engaged in the same line of business, and the firm's products gained sale and fame throughout the United States. The business was eventually sold to the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in 1905, and in the following year Mr. Witten organized the American Furniture Company at Martinsville, and, as President, has had active charge and management of the company's affairs continuously from its organization to the present time. This company started with a capital of only thirty thousand dollars and a working force of twenty men, but under Mr. Witten's guiding hand, it has grown steadily and rapidly to its present importance as a great manufacturing concern with a capital of a million dollars and a million dollar annual output, employing over three hundred men, most of whom are skilled workmen. In 1922 Mr. Witten organized the American Dining Room Furniture Company with an authorized capital of a million dollars, of which company he is also President. The first issue of stock of this company of five hundred thousand dollars was subscribed for in three hours, which is an evidence of the confidence the people of Martinsville have in Mr. Witten's standing, ability and judgment as a business man. He is Vice-President of Piedmont Trust Bank and a Director in the Peoples National Bank, both of Martinsville, where he resides, and is an outstanding figure in the development of his town and section, and one of the leaders in manufacturing and commercial enterprise in the state. Mr. Witten is a devoutly religious man, is a zealous member of the Presbyterian church at Martinsville, and has given twenty years of active service as an elder in that congregation. Without financial resources Mr. Witten started life with high moral purpose and determination to succeed. Maintaining the highest and best traditions of his family, he has realized, in large measure, his ambition along business lines, and his accumulations of the material things of life are not surpassed in amount or value by any other member of the Witten family, so far as we know. Along with his marked success in business as a captain of industry he has also developed the spiritual side of his life, and his relatives and friends of his home county are proud of his record and achievements. Among the men who have gone out from Tazewell, Ancil D. Witten stands in the front ranks.

(a) *Lawrence Claiborn Witten*, married *Julia Eleanora McLaren* at Glendale, Ohio, on January 3, 1921, date her birth July 11, 1897. One child: *Daniel McLaren Witten*, born October 4, 1922.

(b) *Cecil Davidson Witten*, married *Overton Dillard Ford*, on September 23, 1920, date his birth August 12, 1879.

(8) *Richard White Witten*, born April 4, 1862, married *Ella Slusher* on January 17, 1885, date of her birth September 30, 1870. Date of his death March 23, 1920. Their children: *Matilda Lou Witten*, born May 11, 1886, date of death April 30, 1889; *Minnie Clyde*, born July 24, 1887, date of death September 30, 1894; *Maria Pearl*, born November 6, 1889; *Beatrice Ruth*, born April 26, 1892; *James Richard*, born October 24, 1894, date of death April 15, 1895; *Rachel White*, born November 28, 1895; *Katherine Jane*, born March 30, 1903; *Nannie Winifred*, born May 27, 1907 and *Julia Edna*, born August 5, 1909.

(a) *Mariah Pearl Witten* born November 6, 1889, married *F. H. Hughes* on the 20th day of September, 1911, date of husband's birth March 19, 1884, husband died on the 25th day of October, 1916. Their children: *Helen Josephine Hughes*, born August 31, 1912, *Bramwell*, W. Va., dec'd.; *Marjorie Adele*, born September 15, 1915, *Johnson City*, Tenn. Said *Mariah Pearl Witten Hughes*, married *Z. Frank Sloan*, 2nd husband, on the 6th day of December, 1919, date of his birth June 25, 1890. Their children: *Frank Keenan Sloan* (twin), born October 11, 1921, *Johnson City*, Tenn.; *Malcolm Vernon Sloan* (twin), born October 11, 1921, *Johnson City*, Tenn.

(b) *Beatrice Ruth Witten*, born April 26, 1892, married *Clifford Merbin Feil* on the 7th day of September, 1914, date of husband's birth, June 29, 1892. Their children: *Katherine Elaine Feil* born May 28, 1915 and *Ralph Witten Feil*, born September 10, 1918.

(c) *Rachel White Witten*, born November 28, 1895, married *Maurice B. Ferrell* on the 23d day of November, 1914, date of husband's birth June 1, 1895. Their children: *Richard Anderson Ferrell*, born November 27, 1915; *William Taylor*, born October 25, 1917; *Mary Helen*, born September 26, 1919; *Maurice, Jr.*; *Evelyn Maria* and *Virginia*.

(9) *Coralie Anna Witten*, born March 10, 1864, married *J. Francis Kelly* on April 14, 1885, she died June 18, 1924, date hus-



band's birth December 22, 1857, date of his death December 18, 1920. Their children: Lena Louise Kelly, born January 14, 1886; Mary Matilda, born April 30, 1887 and James George, born November 26, 1892.

(a) *Lena Louise Kelly*, married Luther White Page on the 31st day of December, 1913, date of his birth September 12, 1878. Their children: James Francis Page, born April 20, 1915; Luther White, born December 17, 1916 and Coralie Witten, born September 6, 1920.

(b) *Mary Matilda Kelly*, married Fred W. Pendleton at Iron-ton, Ohio, on the 20th day of December, 1907. Their children: William Cecil Pendleton, Jr., born October 25, 1908, Tazewell, Va.; Frederick Bittle, born January 14, 1910, Tazewell, Va.; Lena Louise, born March 30, 1912, Tazewell, Va., dec'd.; James French, born June 30, 1913, Indian, Va.; Joseph Kelly, born August 14, 1915, Marion, Va.; Francis Witten, born February 14, 1917, Marion, Va. and Rosa Mary, born August 1, 1921, Welch, W. Va.

(c) *James George Kelly*, married Georgia Mae Marrs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marrs, Kyle, W. Va., on September 3, 1925.

(10) *Nancy Jane Witten*, born September 8, 1865. Resides at University, Virginia.

(11) *Cynthia Ann Matilda Witten*, born October 2, 1868, married John Milton Newton on the 12th day of September, 1894, date of husband's birth August 2, 1868. Their children: James Alderman Newton, born August 24, 1895; Maury Claiborne, born August 23, 1896; John Milton, Jr., born May 8, 1898; Chauncey Wayland, born March 10, 1900; Rufus Tazewell, born June 22, 1901; Ralph Kenneth, born May 16, 1904; Ivey Elaine, born August 19, 1906 and Cynthia Witten, born September 1, 1909.

(a) *James Alderman Newton* married Lake Lambert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Lambert, of Welch, W. Va., on July 15, 1924. They have one daughter, Patricia Lake, born May 2, 1925.

(b) *Rufus Tazewell Newton*, married Ellen Shannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Shannon, of Saltville, Va., on March 28, 1923, at Princeton, W. Va. One child, Louisa Jane Newton, born October 24, 1924.

(12) *Lucy Davis Witten*, born March 23, 1870, married Harve Fielding Peery on June 28, 1893, date his birth February 12, 1871.



**Their children:** William Matilda Peery, born May 19, 1895; James O'Keeffe, born September 15, 1896 and Edwin George, born December 21, 1898.

(a) *William Matilda Peery*, married Fred R. Litz on July 7, 1917, date of his birth, May 5, 1893. Their children: Margaret Lucille Litz, born June 12, 1919; James Frank Litz, born May 21, 1921; and Nancy Jane, born July 11, 1925.

(b) *James O'Keeffe Peery*, married Ethel Lavalette Hurt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hurt of Dublin, Va., February 28, 1925. Date of wife's birth, May 17, 1902.

(13) *Ebenezer Snead Howard Witten*, born November 12, 1871, married Mamie Louise Farley October 1, 1903. Their children: James Richard Witten, born June 14, 1906, died October 16, 1921 and Mary Buster Witten, born February 22, 1908.

(14) *Matilda Davidson Witten*, born on September 15, 1874, married W. W. Kelly, June 7, 1899. Date of husband's birth, March 10, 1876. Their children: Richard Howell Kelly, born June 25, 1900; James Ebenezer, born August 11, 1902; and Rachel Davidson, born January 16, 1912.

(a) Richard Howell Kelly married Virginia Collins, daughter of Jairus Collins of Bramwell, W. Va., May 30, 1925.

(c) Colonel Thomas G. Witten (Jas. W. M., James, Thomas, I.), who married Marietta Thornton, of Richmond, Va. Col. Witten was a successful merchant in the town of Tazewell for many years. Their children: Nettie, who died unmarried; Rose, dec'd, who married William D. Kroll in 1890. They had one son, Thomas Jerome, who married Minta Brown of Morristown, Tenn.; and Wilkerson Thornton, born June 13, 1874, married Gertrude Rucker of Lynchburg April, 1912. One daughter, Helen Rose, and one adopted daughter, Catherine Jasper.

(f) Augustus Witten (Jas. W. M., James, Thomas, I.) married Lucinda West. Their children: Mona, who married ————; Rachel, who married Robert Elliott; James Wilkerson M., who married Minnie Wilson of Bland County, Va. They live at Canebrake, W. Va.; and Oscar T., who married ———— Meredith (their children: Thomas Jefferson, ————).

(h) Robert B. Witten (Jas. W. M., James, Thomas, I.), born 1843, died March, 1917. With the exception of four years he served in the Confederate army, during the War Between the States, Robert B. Witten spent his life on his farm in Tazewell County.

He married Virginia Custer, first wife. She died in 1884. He married Virginia Whitaker, of Smythe County, Virginia, second wife. Children of first marriage: Rachel W., who married Rees Whitley—see Whitley line; Pauline, who married John Graham, a lumber manufacturer of near Bluefield, Virginia. (Their children: Walter McDonald, Louise, Arthur, Edgar Allen, and Katie); Virginia, who married William Porter, a painter and decorator of Tazewell County. (Their children: Joseph, who died in World War; Margaret, who married ————; Robert; and John); J. Wilkerson M., a farmer of Albemarle County, Virginia, who married Ethel White. (Their children: Virginia, Augustus, Ebb., Lucy, Jack, Francis, Marie, J. W. M., Jr., ————); Ebb., deceased, who married Jennie Watkins. No children. He represented Tazewell and Buchanan counties in the House of Delegates of the Virginia Legislature 1917; Rose, who married James Charles, a lumber manufacturer; Dr. Jack W., of whom further; and Katie, who married Stuart Watkins, a merchant at Grundy, Buchanan County, Virginia. Children of second marriage: Alex., who is a farmer near Tazewell; Andrew, who is associated with the Fruit Growers Express, at Washington, D. C.; Nannie May, who married James McGuire; Sidney, dec'd; and Ted., who operates the home farm.

Dr. Jack W. Witten (of Robert B.) was born August 7, 1880; was graduated from Tazewell High School in 1898, and from Tazewell College, 1902. He then entered the Medical College of Virginia, from which institution he received his degree in 1905. He later did post graduate work at Medical College of Virginia. Dr. Witten spent one year of medical practice at Richmond, and then returned to North Tazewell, where he has spent most of his time in his profession until June 11, 1917, when he volunteered for service in the World War. He was commissioned a 1st Lieutenant and was sent to Camp Greenleaf, Ga., later was transferred to Camp Wheeler, Ga., and while there he was commissioned (February 11, 1918) a captain of 124 Ambulance Co., 106 Sanitary Train, 31st Division; sailed for France, September, 1918, and was in the Grand Pre offensive. He landed in the United States in April, 1919 and was commissioned a major just a few days before his discharge from the army on April 19, 1919. November, 1923, Dr. Witten ran as an Independent candidate to represent Tazewell County in the Virginia Legislature and was elected; and was re-elected to the same office on November 3, 1925. He is a member of Tazewell



County Medical Society and of the Medical Society of Virginia. He is a member of Tazewell Lodge No. 62 A. F. & A. M.; O'Keeffe Chapter No. 26, Royal Arch Masons; and of North Tazewell Lodge No. 131 Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor, and is past grand chancellor of the Grand Lodge, K. of P. of Virginia. He is a member of Sidney Coulling Post No. 133, American Legion at Tazewell.

Philip Witten (Thomas, I.) married Ruth Dickerson and moved to Ohio, where many of his descendants now live.

Jeremiah Witten (Thomas, I.) married in Kentucky but made his home in Tazewell, on Plum Creek, at the place owned by the late T. E. George.

Thomas Witten, Jr. (Thomas, I.) married Eleanor Cecil and they lived for some years on the farm now owned by C. W. Boyd, but in later life, he moved to Plum Creek and built a log house on the site on which the house of W. A. Leece now stands. They reared a large family—thirteen in number—all of whom lived to see old age. Thomas Witten, Jr. served in the Revolutionary War and fought in the battle of King's Mountain under Lieut. Rees Bowen. He also did valiant service in protecting the frontier settlements from Indian depredations, for which he was pensioned by the United States Government. He and David Ward were the first representatives from Tazewell county elected to the Virginia Legislature, sessions 1801-1802-1803. Thomas Witten was among the first early settlers to plant fruit trees in Tazewell, bringing from Maryland, grafts and perhaps young trees of an especially fine apple, which became known as the "Maryland" apple. He was also an ardent admirer of forest trees, and it is told of him that during his last illness, he had his sons carry him to his door so that he might have a final look at a stately spreading oak, growing near his home. He and his wife are buried in the old graveyard in front of the W. A. Leece residence.

Their children: John, Zachariah, Hiram, Samuel, William James S., Thomas S., Rebecca, Tabitha, Linnie, Elizabeth, Keziah, and Ann.

John Witten (Thomas Jr., Thomas) married a Miss Rutledge and built and occupied for some years, the log house claimed to be the oldest house in Tazewell County. It stands near the residence of John C. St. Clair. He afterward sold his farm, four miles west of the county seat, to his brother Thomas, and moved to Bedford county, Va., where many of his descendants now live.



Zachariah Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas) became a Methodist preacher, joining the Tennessee Conference at its organization.

Hiram Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married a Miss Laird and lived near the Crabapple fort built by his grandfather. They had one son, Milton, and two daughters, Elizabeth, who married Andrew Jackson Bulla, January 5, 1843, and moved to Missouri, where she lived to be 101 years of age; and Ann, who married a Mr. Hundley. They also lived in Missouri.

Samuel Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married a Greenup, and made his home in Texas, in which state and Oklahoma many of his descendants now live.

William Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married five times, and has many descendants in Virginia and Missouri. He lived on Bluestone, near St. Clair's Crossing.

James S. Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married Lavicie Thompson. They lived at the parental home on Plum Creek. To them were born five sons and one daughter. All the family except the daughter, Eleanor, moved to Missouri in the early forties, where the sons all raised families.

#### GEORGE LINE.

Eleanor Witten (James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married William Oscar George, 1843, son of Col. Harvey George, grandson of William George. Harvey George received his title as Colonel in the Virginia Militia. He was also a member of both house and senate of the Virginia Legislature.

Their children: James, John, Sallie, Thomas Edwin, Louise, Harvey and Charles.

James George (Eleanor, James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born June 14, 1844, who married Elizabeth Witten, daughter of Milton Witten (first wife), October, 1865. They have one daughter, who lives in Kentucky. Said James George married a second wife and they have raised a family. They live in Oklahoma. James was a soldier in the War Between the States and was wounded at the battle of New Market.

John George (Eleanor, James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born March 23, 1846, married Louise Witten (first wife). Name of second wife is not obtained. No living children. John was a soldier in the War Between the States and was wounded in Tennessee. He is now living in Oklahoma.

Sallie George (Eleanor, James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born February 4, 1848, married Colonel Titus Williams, September 12, 1865. Their children: Ella, Fay, Oscar, Willie, Arthur, Emmet, Casper, and Woody, dec'd. See Williams, under Gillespie line.

Thomas Edwin George (Eleanor, James, Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born December 6, 1850, married Julia Witten, January 7, 1875. Their children: William Oscar, who married Lillie Leece, June 12, 1907 (children: Thomas Edwin, Charles Leece, William Oscar, Jr., and Alice Hayter); Lena Howard, dec'd; Susan Matilda, dec'd; James Ebenezer, dec'd; Eleanor White, who married George Clifford Appleton, May 5, 1915 (one child, Julia Langhorne); and Thomas Edwin, Jr., dec'd.

Thomas Edwin George, or "Ed." George as he was familiarly known, was perhaps the most popular man in Tazewell County. He possessed unusual intellectual ability; was of a pleasing personality; and possessed wonderful energy. He was noted for his loyalty to his friends and for his generosity to those in need.

In May, 1879, William G. Harrison was elected Clerk of Tazewell county court, with Maj. Rufus Brittain and T. Edwin George as his deputies. Maj. Brittain took charge of the work in the office with T. E. George as deputy. In 1883, Mr. George was elected Clerk, and was continuously re-elected until his death in 1905. He was a Republican in politics. In those days the two parties battled royally for the county and district offices every four years. During these hot campaigns, Ed. George fought as valiantly for every man on the Republican ticket as he did for himself. He and James Bandy, late Sheriff of Tazewell, were the only two men known to the writer, who always came out in the open and worked as hard for the candidates for all the smaller offices on the ticket as they did for themselves.

Louise George (Eleanor, James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born January 26, 1853, married Gilbert Gildersleeve, son of Rev. Benjamin Gildersleeve, November 2, 1870. Their children: (1) Emma, who married Rev. R. S. Umberger, December 24, 1891. (Their children: Lois, who married James Neal; Earl; Clara, dec'd, and Ola). They reside at Athens, W. Va. (2) Eleanor, who married Samuel Cecil Peery (their children: Virginia, Louise, Catherine, Robert, Edwin "Ned", and Woodrow). See Peery line. (3) John R., who married Louise Leece, first wife, and Laura Beavers, second wife. (Children of second marriage: Robinson, Martha and Helen).



They reside at English, W. Va. (4) Sallie May, who married Andrew Peery (first) and they had one daughter, Eleanor, dec'd. She married William Tarter (second), (children: Louise, Jane, Sarah and William, Jr.). (5) Laura, who married Richard C. Cofer. (Children: Eloise, Richard, Jr., Gilbert, and Joseph). They live at Alderson, W. Va. (6) Benjamin, who married Mildred Mundy (their children: Edwin George and Eleanor). (7) Elizabeth "Bessie", dec'd January 27, 1924, who married Gage Kelly, September 1, 1909 (three children: Elizabeth, Basil and Helen). (8) Gilbert, who took a three-year agricultural course at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va., is a farmer and interested in the Five Oaks Lime Company.

Harvey George (Eleanor, James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born April 6, 1855, who married Eleanor Ward, daughter of Thompson Ward. Their children: Eloise, who married John George; Janie; Sallie; Billie; Jesse and George. They reside at Washington, D. C.

Charles George (Eleanor, James S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), now deceased, was born March 22, 1857, married Helen Buchanan, daughter of Thompson Buchanan. Their children: Sue, who married a Mr. Graybeal; Nell, who married a Mr. Patton; Sallie; Archie; Mamie, who married a Mr. Dale; Louise; Charles; Virginia; and Edwin "Ned".

Thomas S. Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born December 14, 1789, died April 10, 1869, married Nancy M. Strother, 1812.

Their children: Julia, Zachariah Strother, Elinor (died young) Linnie (died young), James, Thomas G., Elizabeth M., Margaret, John H., and twin sons, who died in infancy.

Thomas S. Witten built the house now occupied by John C. St. Clair, and lived there until his death.

Julia Witten (Thomas S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married John Sexton. Their children: Thomas, James, George, Henry, Barbara, and Fannie.

Zachariah Strother Witten (Thomas S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born June 9, 1815, died June 22, 1887, married Mary Zarilda Tiffany ("Polly"), first wife, May 10, 1838. She was born December 2, 1820, died May 19, 1852. Their children: (1) Cosby America, born March 6, 1845, who married Harvey George Peery. (Their children: Charles T., Sallie, Mary, H. G., Jr., Reba, Margaret, Nancy, and Hal. W.). See Peery line. (2) Margaret Eliza,



born May 9, 1847, who married Robert Crockett. (Their children: Mamie, Bettie, Zachariah, Kemp, George, and Nannie). See Crockett line. (3) Nancy Jane, born October 14, 1849, who married Gratton Crockett. (Their children: Ethel, J. G., Fannie, Bane and Mollie). See Crockett line. (4) Mary Mariah, born February 3, 1852, died December 27, 1883, who married John C. St. Clair. (Two children, John W. and Mary).

Said Zachariah Strother Witten married Julia Summers (second wife). Their children: Charles Tiffany, Fannie, Ida, Maxey, Ollie, Pinckney Lee, and Louisa.

James Witten (Thomas S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), married Fannie McCall. No children.

Thomas G. Witten (Thomas S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), married Ann Eliza Fudge. Their children: Edward F., Charles, who died young; Nancy, who married Dr. C. W. Greever (see Greever line); Frank T., who married Lucy Straley. (Their children: Louisa, who married J. Gordon Beach—one child, Nancy Wirt; Frances, and Edward); Louisa; Jessie; and Margaret Strother.

Dr. Thomas G. Witten was born March 19, 1822, in a two story log cabin situated on the Fincastle turnpike, about four miles west of the town of Tazewell. This cabin is still standing in John C. St. Clair's yard. When fourteen years of age he was sent to Knoxville, Tenn., to attend school, making the trip alone on horseback. Later he matriculated for the opening term of Emory & Henry College, from which he graduated—a member of that institution's first class. After spending a few years on the farm, Thomas G. Witten entered the University of Pennsylvania, where he graduated in medicine, receiving his diploma April 18, 1850. In the typhoid epidemic of the late seventies, his success in treating this disease gained him prominence in his profession. He was a pioneer in the treatment of typhoid, being the first physician in this section to use modern methods. He was the last of Tazewell's doctors of the old school. He died October 9, 1909, and his wife died November 12, 1913.

Elizabeth Witten (Thomas S., Thomas, Jr., Thomas), born October 24, 1824, married William Gordon Bottimore, January 24, 1854. He was born in the city of Baltimore, September 16, 1816. He married there and moved to Tazewell in 1845. His wife died in 1848, and he married Elizabeth Witten, January 24, 1854. Mr.

Bottimore was Dist-Deputy Grand Master of Dist. No. 45 A. F. & A. M. from 1888 to the date of his death, March 6, 1896. Their children:

(1) Nancy E. Bottimore, who married Dr. J. T. Cooley. Their children: (a) Eva, who married John W. Laird (one son, Samuel, dec'd); (b) Dell, who married W. E. Easter; (c) Elizabeth "Bessie", who married Clarence McClaugherty, Assessor for Mercer County, West Virginia (two children: Catherine, who married Dr. Welsh English, and Eleanor); (d) Mary, who married Frank J. Sampson, President and owner of Tanner Paint and Oil Co., Richmond, Va. (Children: Frances, Helen Bottimore, dec'd, and Nancy); (e) Mattie, who married Walter S. Anderson; and (f) Lucille, who married Henry T. Martin, wholesale and commission merchant. (Children: Maurine, Thomas, and William Gordon).

(2) Laura Bottimore, who married Dr. C. A. Johnston. (Two children: Walton B. and Estelle Holmes, who died in childhood).

(3) Annie E. Bottimore, who married John C. St. Clair. (Their children: Alexander Gordon, who married Barbara Brittain; Fred, who married Louise Peery; Evelyn Greenwood, who married William Werth; and Elizabeth. John C. StClair is a prominent citizen and a farmer. He resides in the house erected by Thomas S. Witten afore mentioned, about 4 miles west of the town of Tazewell.

(4) John Strother Bottimore, who married Susie E. Belew, June 1, 1897. He was born October 16, 1863; was District Deputy Grand Master, A. F. & A. M. from 1909 to 1912, and was elected Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, February, 1921. Mr. Bottimore has been for about thirty years, and still is, one of the leading merchants in the town of Tazewell. He is interested in the coal business; is prominent in church work of the Main Street Methodist Church. Their children: William Gordon, Robert Renwick, Helen Lake, Elizabeth Maynard, who married Chapman Belew, Sept., 1925, Emily Belew, John Strother, Jr., and Edith Anne.

Rebecca Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas), married John Graham and lived in Kentucky. Her grandson, Edward Trimble, was killed in the battle of Saltville, and lies buried in Maplewood Cemetery, at Tazewell, where a monument to his memory has been erected by the Confederate soldiers and their friends.

Tabitha Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas), married a Davidson and lived in Washington county, Virginia.

Linnie and Elizabeth Witten (Thomas Jr., Thomas) never married.



Keziah and Ann Witten (Thomas, Jr., Thomas) married their cousins, John and William Cecil.

### WOHLFORD-MUSTARD FAMILIES.

Louis Wohlford, who emigrated from Germany to the United States, was a son of Ludwig Wohlford. Louis Wohlford had four children, viz: Samuel, of whom further; Jacob, who married Fannie Smith; Mike, who never married; and a daughter, who married a Shrader.

Samuel Wohlford (Louis, Ludwig), was born in Wythe County, Virginia, April 1, 1804. He moved to Giles County (now Bland), where he lived on his farm until his death, March 3, 1855. He married Elizabeth Nicewander, daughter of Jacob Nicewander and grand-daughter of Abram Nicewander, about the year 1834. Their children: Mariah, who married Harvey R. Mustard, son of William and Ann Mustard; George, who married Jane Mustard, daughter of John Mustard; Jane; Ardelia, who married Timothy E. Mitchell; Gordon, was born in Giles County (now Bland), January 26, 1846, and married Matilda Ann Byrnes, daughter of Dr. John W. and Sarah Byrnes, on November 13, 1866. (Their children: Flora Lala, Ina Cosby, Charles Byrnes, Victoria May, Mary Agnes, Cynthia Ella, Kate Elizabeth, Cecil Grace and two children who died in infancy); Cosby, who married James M. Sheppard, son of Edmund and Rhoda Harman Sheppard, who was a daughter of Elias Harman; and Cynthia, who married James T. Taylor.

Elizabeth Nicewander, who married Samuel Wohlford was the daughter of Jacob Nicewander, who lived in Giles County and married a Miss Helvey. The children of Jacob Nicewander were Elizabeth, Rhoda and Harvey, who married Malinda Bogle. They had three children: Rufus, Mary and George. Rufus Nicewander married Christena Harman, daughter of Robert Wilson and Cynthia Bird Harman (children: Vernal A., who married Rebecca Bailey and Romeo V., who married a Miss Helmandollar); Mary Nicewander married Robert Patton; and George Nicewander married Elizabeth Harman, daughter of Robert Wilson and Cynthia Bird Harman (children: John and Albert.)

Matilda Ann Byrnes, who married Gordon Wohlford, was a daughter of Dr. John W. and Sarah Byrnes, who had five other

children, viz: two children, who died in infancy; Elizabeth, who married Joseph Ewald; Victoria, who married John S. Cecil; and Joseph, who never married.

Dr. John W. Byrnes was a son of David and Nancy Draper Byrnes. David Byrnes was a Methodist preacher. Their children: Jane, who married a Dunbar; Hester, who married a Harman; Polly, who never married; Lou Emma, who married a Neel; Joseph who never married and John W., who married Sarah Mustard, January 12, 1845 (see Mustard line).

#### MUSTARD LINE.

William Mustard came from Ireland when sixteen years old and settled in Giles County, Virginia. He married a Brown. William and his wife and two sons: James and William, went back to Ireland on a visit. When returning to the United States, William Mustard fell off the gang plank and was drowned at Norfolk, Virginia. His widow, with her two sons, came to Giles County, where she died soon afterwards. The two boys then went to live with their mother's brother, a Mr. Brown, in what is now Tazewell County, and while herding cattle for their uncle, they were lost in the woods and William was frozen to death.

James Mustard (of William) married a Miss Munsey. Their children: William, of whom further; John; Joshua, Elisha; James, who went west when a young man and was never heard from; Betty, who married William Stafford; Julia, who married Garland Ellis; Sallie, who married Hardin Moss. (See Moss under Barns).

William Mustard (James, William) married Ann Patterson, (daughter of Isaac and Agnes Patton Patterson). Their children: Sarah, of whom further; Joseph, who died in infancy; Nancy, who died in infancy; Matilda, who married Floyd C. Shell; Harvey, who married Mariah Wohlford; Newton, who married Caroline Newberry; Thomas, who never married; William Gratton, of whom further; Estill, who never married; Jasper, of whom further; and Samuel P., of whom further. All seven of the brothers served in the Confederate army during the War Between the States—Estill was killed in the Battle of New Market, near Staunton, Virginia.

Sarah Mustard (William, James, William) married Dr. John W. Byrnes, January 12, 1845. They removed to Wise County, Virginia, and located on Guess River. Their children: Matilda Ann,



who married Gordon Wohlford November 13, 1866 (see Wohlford line), Elizabeth, who married Joseph Ewald; Victoria, who married John S. Cecil; and Joseph, who died at Pocahontas, Va., unmarried.

William Gratton Mustard (William, James, William), was born in Bland County, October 4, 1838. He moved to his splendid farm in Wright's Valley, two miles west of Tip Top, where he died April, 1903. He entered the Confederate service in 1861, Co. "F," 45th Virginia Infantry, and served about two years, then was transferred to the 8th Virginia Cavalry and held the position of Captain, and served until the surrender at Appomattox. He was one of the leading farmers and graziers in Tazewell County. Was especially active in political life, being one of the outstanding leaders of the Republican party in his county. In 1883, Mr. Mustard was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates from Tazewell county, in which body he served with distinction. He married Ella McDonald, June 15, 1867. She was the daughter of William McDonald and grand-daughter of Edward McDonald. They had one daughter, May, who married Henry S. Bowen. See Bowen line.

Jasper Mustard (William, James, William), born in Bland County, Va. September 29, 1842, married Frances M. Stuart, January 4, 1870. She was the daughter of William and Margaret Myers Stuart. Her maternal grandfather was Alexander Myers, a soldier of the War of 1812, whose father was James Myers. Mr. Mustard volunteered at Dublin, Virginia, in the spring of 1864 and served there until the close of the war in Jackson's Mounted Artillery. Their children: Myrtle Blanche, died young; Bertha S., Lelia G., Mary E., Anna M., William T., and perhaps others.

Samuel P. Mustard (William, James, William), born in Bland County, Virginia. He married Matilda P. Moore (daughter of Wm. Taylor), October 3, 1872. They removed to Abb's Valley in Tazewell County, upon his farm where they still reside. He represented the counties of Smythe and Bland in the Virginia House of Delegates, 1883, and was also elected a member of the House of Delegates from Tazewell County in 1912. Mr. Mustard is a devout member of the Methodist Church and an honored citizen of the county. Their children: Luther, who married Elizabeth Barns (daughter of Oscar F. Barns) (children: Mary and Elizabeth); Gratton M., who married Jennie Wilson, daughter of C. C. Wilson (children: Gratton F., Clinton B., Barns and India Virginia); Oscar, who married Madge Lester, daughter of Henry Lester;

India, who died in infancy; Elbert, who married Margaret Buchanan, daughter of John W. Buchanan (children: Virginia and Elizabeth); and Robert C., who married Margaret Moore, daughter of J. C. Moore.

### THE YOST FAMILY.

John Yost and Henry Yost immigrated to America before the Revolutionary War. They came from Germany to Pennsylvania. We assume they were brothers. According to reliable tradition in the Yost family, John served in the Revolutionary War under General George Washington and was in the battle of Lexington. It is said that he made guns for Washington's army.

John Yost, Jr., son of John, came from Pennsylvania to Montgomery County, Virginia, and later moved to Tazewell County. He was born in 1769, and died 1886, at the age of ninety-seven years. He was a tanner and worked in a tan yard in the town of Jeffersonville (now Tazewell). He had three children: Lorenza, John, 3rd., and David G.

Lorenza Yost (John, Jr., John), born 1803, married Polly Stump. They had five sons: John, 4th; William; Dow, no further record; Harris E.; Charles; Emily and perhaps others.

John Yost, 4th. (Lorenza, John, John) was known as Captain John Yost, and resided in Baptist Valley. He was born in 1826; married Martha Carnes. Their children: (a) Wiley W. (twin to Chas. C.), born January 17, 1849, who married Sallie McGuire. Their children: J. Ed., who married Ghee Buchanan; Mattie J., who married J. W. McNeil; Lena B., who married Charles G. Keesee; Raleigh W., who married Bertie Gillespie; Maryland, who married Thomas G. Catron; and Charles G., who married Letha Whitaker; (b) Charles C. (twin to Wiley W.), born January 17, 1849; died September 30, 1882; married Ellen Bandy. Their children: Elizabeth, who married Will Hankley; Henry F., who married Frances ———; John W., who married Pearl Mayo, daughter of Jno. W. Mayo, November 11, 1911. He is, and has been Sup't. of Glen Alum Coal Company since 1912. (Children: Witten, Keith, Morris and Ralph); Mollie, who married Ed. McNeil; Cal-lie, who married Rev. James R. Brown (one daughter, Virginia); Frances, who married Wade L. Freeman; Julia, who married



Reuben Vaughan; and Charles, who served in the 1st. Division, A. E. F., during the World War. (c) George, who died unmarried; (d) Julia, who married Rev. Joseph Cook, September 3, 1879. Their children: John, Mattie, Fannie, Price, Charles, George, Ruth, Robert, Mary Ann, and Annie; (e) James W., born June 2, 1852, married Laura Maxwell, daughter of Robert Maxwell, February 8, 1871. Their children: Minerva, who married Augustus Peery; Maggie Bates, who married Vincent E. Payne; and Robert, who married Mollie McNeil; (f) Martha, who married William C. Yost, son of William Yost, October 2, 1884; (g) John M., who married Harriet Moore. Their children: Hester, who married Robert Myers; Frank, who married Hattie Duff; James, who married Lucy Gilpen; Louise, who married Alex C. Buskill; Hattie; and Roberta; (h) Henry H., who married Flora Catron. Their children: William Henry, Charles and Elizabeth. (h) Henry H., married Jennie Waldron, second wife, and they had three children: John Allen, Melvin and Marvin; and (i) Isaac Robert, who married Margaret Mundy. One daughter, Nannie Rose, who married a McBride.

William Yost (Lorenza, John, John), born 1827 in Tazewell County; died about 1903. He married Fannie Gerald. Their children: (a) Julia, who married Adam Shawver; (b) William C., who married Martha J. Yost, daughter of Capt. John Yost; (c) Garland, who married Maggie Brewster, daughter of Major Ebenezer Brewster; (d) Louisa G., who died unmarried; (e) Frank, born January 10, 1867, who married Mary C. Gregory, daughter of Frank C. and Statira Shawver Gregory, June 19, 1893. Their children: Edward C., who married Reba Duncan (two children: Harold and Ruth); Lena B., who married Thomas Burke (three children: Hazel, Frances and Mildred); William Paris, who married Nettie Fay Steele; Lettie F., who married Arthur Hall (one child, Lena Lorraine); and Irene; (f) Fannie, who married James Christian; (g) Rhoda, who married Ballard Johnson, son of Hugh Johnson; and (h) Clay, who died unmarried.

Harris E. Yost (Lorenza, John, John), married Lizzie Bourne. Their children: (a) Walter, who married Ida Shawver. Children: Peery, Robert, Roy, Fred, Carlisle and Josephine; (b) James B., who married Lizzie Gregory, daughter of Frank C. Gregory. Their children: Mellie Launah, who married Homer F. Hancock (one child, Frances); Herbert, who married Lula Neel; Conner, who

married Mabel Cook; and Wingo, who married Emily Smith; (c) Mattie, who married A. Benton Leffel. Their children: Erastus, Walter, Arthur, Harlow and Roy; (d) Fannie, who married George Havens. One child, Ray; (e) Lorenza, who married Bettie Neff; (f) Charles, who married Lula Brooks; (g) Harris E., who married Della Mullins; (h) Otto G., who married Letha Bowling. Their children: Gladys and Curtis; (i) Bertie, who married Henry Larkie; (j) Mariah, who married Clinton Kitts—one child, Irene; and (k) Gypsie, who married William Burton.

Charles Yost (Lorenza, John, John), born August 28, 1849, married Elizabeth Nuchols. Their children: (a) Cora B., who married James M. Gregory, first, and E. T. Brooks, second; (b) Mary F., who married Con. Dwyer; (c) Thomas, who married Mae McMullen; (d) Keemer, died when a young man; (e) Ida T., who married Charles Walker; (f) Mae, who married A. S. Wilson; (g) Clarence Kelly, who married Zella ———; (h) Virginia, who married John D. Moore; (i) Nina, who married Rufus Morris; (j) Myrtle, who married J. D. Hinegardner; (k) Emma, who married A. E. Johnson; (l) Charles, who married Louise Kitts; (m) Garrett W. (twin) married Lula Peters; and (n) Garnett M. (twin) married Pinie Westmoreland.

John Yost, 3rd (John, John), born 1818, died 1883, married Elizabeth Stump, October 13, 1839. Their children: George W., Virginia, Caroline, who married Judge Jackson Deskins of Kentucky; Elizabeth, who died unmarried; and Mary, who married John Deskins.

George W. Yost (John, 3rd, John, John), born 1840, died 1909, married Harriet Bourne, who was born in England in 1840. She was the daughter of James and Harriet Bourne, who came from England and located in Tazewell in 1846. They had a son, John W., born September 28, 1859, who married Catherine Moneyhon, first wife. Their children: (a) Hattie May, who married Henry C. Young; (b) Sterling B., who married Nannie Bourne; (c) Thomas G., who married Rose Ratliff; (d) William B.; (e) John H. who married Lillie Williams; (f) Felix F., who married Lula Witten; (g) Clarence C., who married Virginia Puckett; (h) Bertie, who married William Williams; (i) Fred; and (j) Richard. John W., married Abbie E. Barnett, second wife, and had one son, Wesley H.

Virginia Yost (John 3rd, John, John), born about 1842, married Bryant Havens. Their children: (a) Mary, who married Ed. Groseclose; (b) Martha, who married William L. Burton (children:



Thomas, Bryant, Clarence, and Virginia, who married Glen Yost); (c) Jerome, who married Rachel Burress (children: Sallie, who married Mack Brooks; Fannie, who married a Brooks; Robert and Virginia); (d) George, who married Frona Gilpin; (e) Walter; and (f) Alice, who married Andrew Layne.

David G. Yost (John, Jr., John), born 1822, married Hannah Wolf, August 24, 1843. Their children: (a) Eldredge, who was a soldier in the Confederate army; was captured and died in prison; (b) Mary Ann, who married Dr. Alonzo Harry. (Children: Lee, who married Annie Peck; June, who married Maude Bourne; and Robert); (c) James, who died unmarried; (d) Alice, who married Carl Neidermaier (children: Theodore; Addie, who married F. A. Parks; Henry, who married Effie ———); Robert K., who married Addie Layne Cundiff, first, and Grace Grubb, second; Hannah Marie, who married Luther H. Bird; and Frieda K., who married Alfred W. Yunkow); (e) Preston, born 1856, married Mary K. Seabolt (children: J. Eldredge, who married Sallie Catron; Arthur, who married Pearl ———; Ollie, who married Heley Kidd; and Clarence P., who married Sallie Dove); and (f) Sarah, who married Fox Hall.

Henry Yost, who with John Yost, immigrated to America, had a son, Casper.

Casper Yost (Henry) was a Methodist preacher and a wagon maker. He resided in Wythe County, Virginia. He married a Bickel. He had the following children: William O., James L. Marshall, Henry A., and Adeline—perhaps others.

William O. Yost (Casper, Henry) was born March 1, 1818, in Wythe County, Virginia. He married Elizabeth Jane Whitman (daughter of John Whitman) November 3, 1845. Their children: (a) John C., born December 1854, married Julia Pruett, daughter of Joshua Pruett, (two children: Mary and Charles); (b) William W., born December, 1859, married Emma Horton of Bland County, Virginia (children: Mary Belle, Bessie May, Gertrude Georgia and Leckey D.); (c) Robert L., born September 10, 1862, married Rebecca VanDyke (daughter of Reese and Polly VanDyke), May 30, 1894 (children: Elizabeth Jane, who married Robert Plummer; Roberta Lee, who married Roby Wysong; William Reese; Magdalene, dec'd; Polly Marrs; and Nell); (d) George W., born August 6, 1866, married a Ritchie (one daughter, Margaret) and (e) Mary E., born March 4, 1871, married Joseph Warden, 1890 (children: William O., James P., Robert Emmet, and George Newton).

Henry Yost (Casper, Henry), of Bluestone, married Gillie Ann Shrader. Their children: George, who died unmarried; Sallie, who married a Craig; Joseph, who married Lizzie Franklin; David; Sheffey; Sidney; James; Frank; William, who married a Louthan; Louise, who married Preston McBride; and Bishop, never married.

For official positions held by members of the Yost family, see elsewhere in these Annals.

### THE YOUNG FAMILY.

From "Thirty Thousand Names of Immigrants", by Rupp, we have taken the following names of Youngs:

"Johannes Young landed in the United States from Germany on the Ship 'Robert and Alice', September 30, 1743.

Valentine Young immigrated to the United States from Germany on the ship 'Carteret', landing December 11, 1744.

George Adam Young immigrated to the United States from Germany on the ship 'Brothers', landing August 24, 1750.

Hans Adam Young immigrated to the United States from Germany on the ship 'Mascliffe Galley', landing December 22, 1744.

We also find a David Young in Pennsylvania in 1728.

We find the names of John, Samuel, Israel, David, Nathaniel, Druary, Charles, Daniel, Absalom, Robert, Richard Young and others, appearing in the early court and marriage records, deeds and wills of Tazewell County. We have been unable to get genealogies of any but Charles, who married Margaret Barns, and Rev. David, who married Jane Bowling.

Charles Young was recommended as Ensign in 2nd Battalion, 112th Regiment, at the March, 1804 term of the Tazewell court. He married Margaret Barns (daughter of Robert) and they had the following children: Hugh, William, who married Nancy Gillespie, May 5, 1842 (See Gillespie line); John, who married Ann Williams—no children; Peggy, Nancy, and Rebecca.

Hugh Young (Charles), born April 22, 1802, married Levicie Bowen, January 16, 1823. She was born October 3, 1804. Children: (a) Evaline, who married Cleve Boyd (children: Josie, who married Theo. Arms; Louise, who was the first wife of A. J. Steele; and Bettie); (b) John B., who married Mary Higginbotham (children: Margaret, who married Charles McNeil; Louisa; Minnie, who married Erastus Scott—three children: Bertha, who married Ben Gay; Daisy, who married "Jack" Hatcher; and Clarence—Willetta,



who married Emmett Scott—two children: Lena, who married I. O. Perkins and John—America; Mary Belle, who married George Brewer; and Charles Moses); (c) Margaret, who never married; (d) Lilly, who married George Brown (children: Rees, Alice, Joe, Bettie, John, Thomas, Charles and Robert); (e) Charles, of whom further; (f) Rees, who died; (g) Zarilda, who married Orville M. Brown (children: Georgia Alice, Nannie, Eva Louise, Bettie, Mattie, Jefferson, Lilly, Jennie, Hugh Young, Mary, and Agnes); (h) Oscar, who married Dorinda Horton; (i) Nancy, who married John Higginbotham (children: Rosa and Pet); (j) Octavia, who married James S. S. Higginbotham (children: Ava and Beverly); (k) Eliza, born December 3, 1870, who married G. B. Swango (children: James, Charles and John Morton); and (l) Louise, who married Oscar Duff (children: Nannie, Hugh, Louise, Charles, Clara, Blanche, Robert and Leona).

Charles Young (Hugh, Charles), born August 2, 1831, married Louisa Smith Duff, February 2, 1854. She was born April 7, 1835. Their children: (a) Robert Young, who married Margaret Ann Dailey, January 8, 1878 (children: Margaret Louise, Ora Mae, Ella Maude, Charles, Blanche, and Ruby Evelyn); (b) John Henry, who married Rebecca Peery Steele, August 3, 1887 (children: William Henry, Nancy Louise, Ruth, Charles Walker, Bettie Blue, Kate Lee, Lucy Ellen, Harry Rees and John Herman); (c) Gustavus, who married Bertha Wall of Wisconsin, July 6, 1891 (children: Nerna Leona, Glen Rupert and Clayton); (d) Ella Bowen; (e) James Oscar Young, who married Etta Whitt, February 20, 1888 (children: Charles Lee, John Raymond, Irene, Theodore, Amanda, Allen Crockett and Hazel); (f) Eliza, who married Noah C. Stevenson, April 21, 1902 (children: Charles Hubert, Ella Virginia, and William Rees); (g) William Barns, who married Amanda Livonia Payne, July 12, 1899 (children: Lloyd Ritter, Robert Early, William Ashby, Bayard Taylor, John Howard Payne, and Theresa Mae); and (h) Rees D., who married Julia Belle Payne, August 31, 1909 (children: Gladstone, Albert Beveredge, Charles William, Ella Roberta, Lillian Alverta, Janice Louise, and Roger Dudley).

"Peggy" Young (daughter of Charles) married Alexander ("Sandy") Scott, January 24, 1833. Their children: Charles Scott, who married Cynthia Gibson (one son, Alexander, who married a Steele, and perhaps others); John Scott, who died young; Lizzie Scott, who married William Thompson (children: Milton,

William, Levicie and Annie, who married Ed. Buchanan); Lina Scott, who married William Steele; Polly Scott, who married John Brooks; Nancy Scott, who married Oscar Thompson, first husband (children: Joseph, dec'd; Peggy, who married Milton Thompson; and Vicie, who married Oscar Claytor); Nancy Scott married Andrew Larimer, second husband (children: Charles, who married Maude Hampton; Samuel, dec'd, who married Mamie Moore; Myrtle; and Mary, who married a Hutton); and Margaret Scott, who died young.

Nancy Young (Charles) married Samuel Young, April 24, 1834. Their children: James Young, who married Annie Humphrey; Joseph Young, who married Mary Moore; Rebecca Young, who married David Young (son of Wm. A.); Aurelia Young, who married Walter Harris, first wife (children: Nancy, who married Joseph Cregar; Florence, who married Dexter Daniel; Walter, who married a Spitzer); Aurelia Young married Calvin Hunt, second husband, (two children: Joseph, who married Lena Harman, and Nora, who married James Bowman); Rees, who married Mary McGuire (children: James, Joe Bernard, Kansas and Charles); and Charles, dec'd.

Rebecca Young (Charles) married Jonathan Smith, January 24, 1839. Their children: John Smith, who married Margaret Taylor, first wife (children: Thomas; May, who married William R. Graham; Pearl, who married Joseph Cecil; and Charles, who married a Bonham); John Smith married Hettie Anspaugh, second wife. They live at Graham, Va.; Margaret Smith, who married Joseph Ball of Kentucky (children: William, Rebecca, who married John Freeman, first, and Rev. Samuel Sims, second husband; and Charles Smith, who married Minnie Clark); James Smith; Hugh Smith; Bascom Smith—all three died young; and Charles Smith, who married Amanda Thompson (children: Louise, Henry, and Charles, who married Nancy Wilson).

Rev. David Young was born June 11, 1783, died July 3, 1858. From 1809 to 1853, we find that David Young was one of the leading preachers to perform the rites of matrimony in Tazewell County, as shown in Vol. I, of these Annals. He married Jane Bowling, April 26, 1802. She was born October 13, 1783, died May 19, 1880—Almost ninety-seven years old. They had only one child, William Axley.



William Axley Young (Rev. David), born February 5, 1813, married Martha Young, first wife (daughter of Nathan Young), December 23, 1831. They had two children: Simon, born April 27, 1833, who married Martha Gilliam Sweeney, June 6, 1854 (children: Edward, Martha, Delilah, Cora and Gaston); and Samuel Wilkerson, born August 28, 1834, who married Margaret Shannon, from near Wytheville, Va., July 29, 1859 (one son, Thomas, who went west in early manhood). William Axley Young married Malinda Bowling, second wife, (daughter of Hiram Bowling), August 24, 1847. She was born March 4, 1825, died September 25, 1888. Their children: (a) Oscar Young, who married Amanda Bowling; (b) David Young, who married Rebecca Young (children: Virginia May, James, who married Ollie Mathena; Annie, who married Lem. Morris; Nancy, who married L. Avis Billips; William Bascom; Maude; and Clinton Barns); (c) William Young, who married Jane Brooks, first wife, (children: Josie, who married a Burkett; Mattie Ellen, who married John Dale; and Emma, who married John Blevins); (c) William Young married Mollie Witt, second wife, (children: Oscar, who married Allie McGlothlin; Lucy, who married George Dickenson; Thomas Lawrence, who married a Mitchell; Lelia, who married a Stout; and Jonas); (d) Mattie Young, who married Timothy Hankins—no children; (e) John Calvin Young, who married India Taylor; (f) Erastus Blair Young, who married Ollie Reed, first wife, August 15, 1900 (children: Mary Lee, Edna May, Mattie Louise, and Virginia Elizabeth); (f) Erastus Blair Young married Vicie White, second wife, October 15, 1913 (children: Bertha White, Willie Gray, Blair Ward, and Carl Edward); and (g) Charles E. Young, who married Virginia Bolt, of Bland County, Va. (one daughter, Bessie Lee, who married Alvin Combs).

### CONCLUSION.

While gathering data for the genealogies of the above families, we had in mind the publishing of another book consisting entirely of genealogies and biographical sketches of Tazewell families. Because the work became so stupendous, we have, for the present, abandoned the idea. Therefore, we added this last chapter to this volume. We have gathered partial genealogies of several Tazewell County families, which do not appear in this chapter. Others have expressed a desire to co-operate in the publication of their family his-

tories. It is our purpose to publish a separate volume devoted entirely to a completion of this work as soon as sufficient data is secured in which this chapter will be revised and republished and the other families added to complete the volume.

Although conscious of the incompleteness of this volume, we present it to the descendants of the sturdy pioneers of Tazewell in the hope that it will stimulate their interest in gathering and preserving the history of the county.

J. N. HARMAN,

MARGARET HARMAN,

Tazewell, Virginia.

December 22, 1925.



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